

# **Key Stage 4 Options**

# GCSE English Language/English Literature



### **Course Overview**

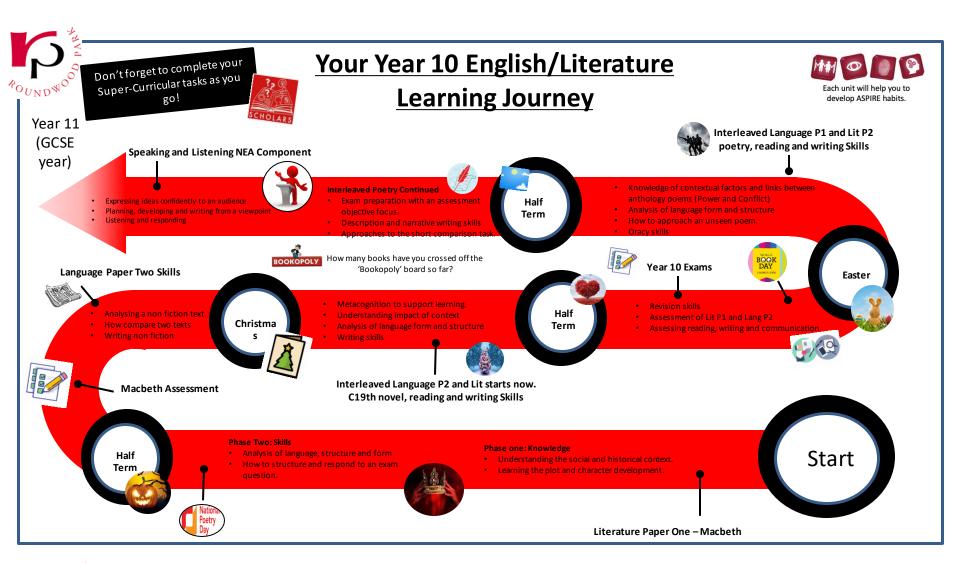
You have 4 lessons of English a week.

You will study English Language and Literature interweaved throughout the 2 year course.

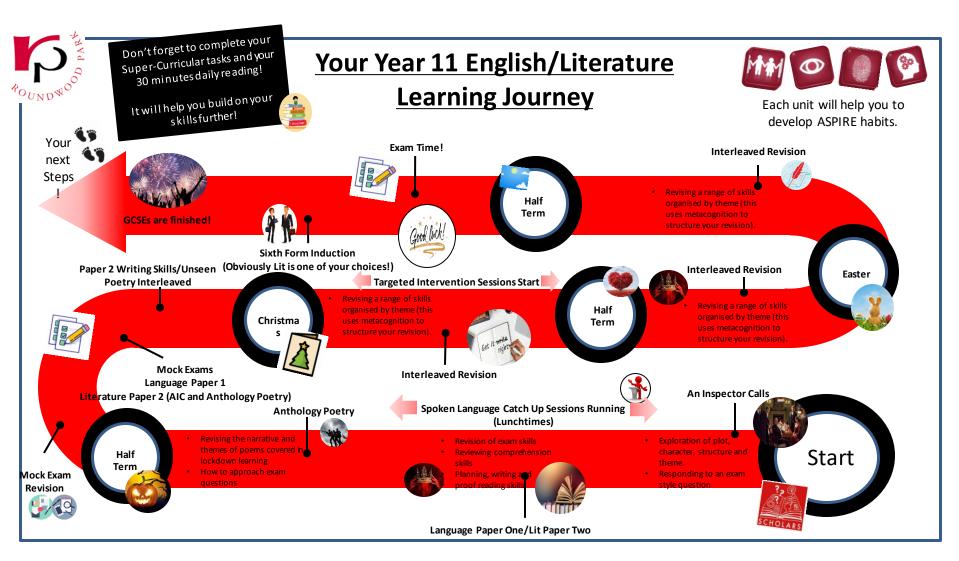
Classes are streamed based on the outcome of your year 9 exam, performance throughout the year and teacher feedback.



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## **Assessment – English Language**

#### Paper 1

#### Paper 2

Explorations in creative reading and writing

- Unseen text fiction
- 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> century
- 4 reading questions (40 marks)
- 1 writing question (40 marks)
- 1 hour 45 minutes
- 50% of English language GCSE

Writers' viewpoints and perspectives

- Unseen texts non-fiction
- 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and/or 21<sup>st</sup> century
- 4 reading questions (40 marks)
- 1 writing question (40 marks)
- 1 hour 45 minutes
- 50% of English language GCSE

# **Assessment – English Language**

# Non-Examination Assessment: Spoken Language

- Present a 3 minute speech and respond to questions on a prepared topic
- Carried out in lesson time
- May be recorded for the exam board for moderation purposes

This does not contribute to your overall grade, but you cannot pass the GCSE without it.

## **Assessment – English Literature**

#### Paper 1

#### Paper 2

Shakespeare and 19<sup>th</sup> century novel

- Macbeth
- Jekyll and Hyde OR
- A Christmas Carol OR
- Frankenstein

Modern text, anthology poetry and unseen poetry

- An Inspector Calls OR
- Pigeon English
- Power and Conflict poetry
- Unseen poems to compare

4 marks available per paper for spelling and grammar Paper 1 – 64 marks Paper 2 = 96 marks



# **Theatre Trips**

In previous years we have been to see a production of *An Inspector Calls* and been extremely lucky to get a number of tickets for a Globe Theatre X Duetsche Bank production of *Macbeth*, which was aimed specifically for GCSE students.





We would like to continue the tradition of viewing the plays we study in performance!



# **English Language/Literature**

# For more information please speak to your Year 9 teacher or contact Miss McMahon

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