

Subject: English

Year Group: 8

Term One

Pupils start the year by reading a range of short stories including pre-1914 texts. This is complemented by a study of narrative poetry and research into an author. They will get the chance to write their own narrative and poetry in addition to performing their own work and that of established poets.

Students' wider reading is supported by library lessons and the Reading Eggspress programme.

Term Two

In the second term, pupils move on to study non-fiction texts such as travel writing, articles and advertisements. This includes pre-1914 non-fiction and the skills of summary and comparison are further developed. Students will write to express opinions in formats such as letters. Additionally, the spoken language activities will focus on expressing opinion in debates.

Term Three

Year 8 exams take place in June.

The drama study for year 8 involves both reading and performing a script before taking on the challenge of writing their own.

