**EXAMINING BOARD:** AQA

**TITLE:** English

**ACCREDITATION:**

This is a single English qualification. It will usually be studied in Year 10. It is studied alongside GCSE English Literature.

**NATURE OF THE SUBJECT:**

Your work will build on that of KS3 Reading, Writing and Speaking and Listening. These are linked in order to show how language works. This applies to your own oral and written work as well as to understanding the writing or speech of others. In addition, you will have the opportunity to study a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

**CONTENT:**

The course compromises of the development of Reading, Writing and Speaking and Listening skills, the opportunity to write in a variety of styles and the study of prose, poetry and drama.

**NATURE OF THE WORK:**

The course involves the completion of two terminal examinations, in accordance with new Government guidelines.

**ASSESSMENT**

**EXAMINATION**

**PAPER 1 50%**

Explorations in creative reading and writing. You will answer questions on language and structure of a fictional text and then create your own imaginative or descriptive piece.

**PAPER 2 50%**

Writers’ Viewpoints and perspectives. You will answer questions on attitudes, language and structure of literary fiction and non fiction texts and will compare texts. You will produce a piece of viewpoint writing – using the techniques of writing to argue/persuade.

**SPEAKING & LISTENING**

You will be assessed separately in Speaking and Listening. You must be able to show skills in the areas of: presenting, responding to questions/feedback and your use of Standard English. This section of the course is certificated separately and does not contribute to the overall GCSE.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

You MUST study GCSE English Literature alongside GCSE English Language.

Please speak to your current English teacher or Mrs Conescu if you have any further questions.