

Dear Parent/Carer of Year 11 student,

15 January 2024

**English Literature GCSE: How to support your son or daughter's revision.**

I am writing to give advice on how you can best support your son or daughter as they prepare for the next round of English mocks. The English department are really pleased with the progress students have been making in their targeted classes and hope that this is reflected in their mock exam results. In order to achieve the best grade they are capable of, students should be revising and preparing using the revision timetable we distributed to students in December in lessons and referred to at Parent's Evening. These materials are also on 'class charts' but your child should speak to their English teacher if they have misplaced them. Students should also have a copy of a revision guide for each unit that they can use to support their work- please do ask them to see Miss Poulton if they are missing any.

As per the school mock exam timetable, the English mock exams are taking place on:

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan** (Literature Paper 1) and **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan** (Literature Paper 2)

Your child will be sitting examinations on four set texts and one unseen aspect of the exam:

Literature Paper 1:

- 'Romeo and Juliet' by William Shakespeare
- 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens

Literature Paper 2:

- 'An Inspector Calls' by J.B. Priestley
- Power and Conflict Poetry Anthology.
- Unseen Poetry

To help your child to prepare for their January mocks and ultimately towards the summer examinations, you can help them in the following ways:

- Testing your students knowledge of the plot of each novel/play by using the plot summaries below.
- Testing your students knowledge of key quotations using the quotation grids below. They should know who said each quote, the meaning, and any techniques used within the quotes.

Please therefore find attached a plot summary of the key set texts accompanied by a list of key quotations with which you can quiz them on and support their revision.

We look forward to seeing their progress in the next round of mock exams. Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Poulton (Head of English) or your child's English teacher if you have any question or would like further guidance.

Yours faithfully,  
Miss K. Poulton  
**Head of English**