



English

English at Synergy is currently a three-year course from Years 7 to 9. It is taught as a core subject and includes literature. Our **iGCSE** remains a two-year course. The curriculum is built to support both the transition from primary and to build the skills needed for academic study.

We focus on **reading, writing, speaking and listening** with explicit teaching and target setting on each unit with lots and lots of practice time built into each lesson along with the opportunity to re-draft and re-write for improvements. Students will focus on clarity of both spoken and written communication. Developing their reading skills of literature, media and multi-media texts.

Topics studied include

Journalism

Literature

Shakespeare

Poetry

Letter Writing

Advertising

Character Analysis and Story

Design for TV

Our Ethos

They are taught by fully qualified English teaching staff. Due to the nature of our school we are able to cater for the very individual needs of our students. They can work at a pace that suits them and in the knowledge that they are making progress. We record progress daily, give feedback on targets daily and our online learning system also gives immediate feedback. Students' progress through units of work according to their own abilities. Class sizes of 8 or less ensure that learning is challenging, relevant, progressive and most of all fully supported. With all students able to receive individual attention each and every lesson. The modules fully prepare students for the challenges at both **iGCSE and A-Level**.

Students receive immediate feedback on all tasks and it is our belief the immediacy of this information works as a tool for encouragement, focus and progress supporting each student's individual learning journey.