English Year 9: Term 1

Course Content:

The Year 9 English Course Curriculum has a primary focus on the three aspects of language acquisition, namely: Reading, Oral/Speaking, and Writing Skills.

Students will undertake an independent reading project throughout the term. This will involve weekly reading sessions, with the students expected to complete notes and a PowerPoint presentation which explores themes, character developments, new vocabulary, chapter summaries, and conflicts.

Writing skills will be assessed through a descriptive writing unit. This will include a wide variety of language devices taught and used in their final writing assessment. Poetry will also follow on from this topic, where the students learn a range of poetic devices and techniques.

Oral/Speaking Skills will be practiced and assessed through a selling and presenting unit, whereby the students are tasked with creating and selling a new form of transport. Debates will also assess this key skill further.

Resources:

- Oxford English: An International Approach
- Assignment subject matter/resources which are topic specific

Assessment:

- Controlled Exam Component 30%
 - Descriptive writing test
 - Continuous Assessment Component 70%
 - Final descriptive writing assessment
 - o Final poems
 - o Class debate
 - o Class presentations
 - Various topic worksheets