

English Vision

'When you fall in love with the imagination, you will discover that it is a free spirit. It will go anywhere and it can do anything' – Alice Walker

English is a journey of discovery and at Kickstart our aim is to nurture a love of the written and spoken word. Through the study of English students will develop the skills to interpret the world around them in both literal and figurative ways. We shall strive to support them to grow in confidence and raise their aspirations while challenging them to become who they want to be by sharing ideas, shaping their judgements and broadening their horizons through the study of a diverse selection of fiction and non-fiction texts.

At GCSE we follow the EDUQAS specification for English Language and students will sit their final exams at the end of year eleven. Students will also deliver speeches and presentations as part of the spoken language unit focussing upon a range of current affairs and personal interests.

Our inspiring curriculum will ensure that all students leave Kickstart equipped with the fundamental skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening which will open doorways into the wider world and the next phase of their education.

Our English curriculum seeks to:

- Keep students safe by fostering healthy emotional and mental wellbeing through self-expression, creativity and communication.
- Encourage personal development and raise aspirations through the provision of high-quality teaching and learning opportunities.
- Promote an understanding of diversity through the choice and range of texts, writers and topics studied.
- To actively encourage students to achieve their best outcomes and promote a life-long love of curiosity in learning.