

15 December 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

A Christmas Carol – Year 11 Revision Pack over Christmas

We wanted to make sure that you are aware that your son/daughter has just received a pack of revision materials on 'A Christmas Carol' to be completed over the Christmas holidays. Hopefully s/he has shown this to you! The purpose of these materials is to ensure that all students have a good understanding of the plotline, characters and themes of this critical text (which they read in Year 10). This is because intensive work will begin on the skills required for success in the examinations in core English Literature lessons straight after the Christmas period.

Students must have an in depth knowledge of the text as part of their Component 2 GCSE English Literature examination which will take place on Friday 26 May 2017. Students will be required to answer one essay question based on the novel, which will form 20% of their overall GCSE English Literature grade. Students will not have a copy of the novel with them in the examination.

In addition to this, 'After School English' revision sessions, from January onwards, will also focus mainly on GCSE English Literature. We strongly urge all year 11 students to attend. Enrichment will take place on the following nights for the classes below, and will commence from Tuesday 3 January:

11x1	Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm	Mrs Dismore
11x2	Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm	Miss Mitchell
11x3	Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm	Miss Shallow
11y1	Tuesday 2.30-3.30pm	Miss Walker
11y2	Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm	Miss Walker
11y3	Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm	Mrs Bond

Further information on revision timetables and schedules for both English Language and English Literature, will be explained at the upcoming Revision Planning evening for Year 11 students which will be held in January. The aim is to ensure all feel highly confident for both the final English Language and English Literature exams.

Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated, and if you have any questions about either the GCSE English Language or English Literature course, please do not hesitate to get in touch via l.walker@outwood.com

Yours faithfully



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