

English Literature

Why study English Literature?

While studying English Literature at Ysgol David Hughes you will build up high level skills of analysis, evaluation and communication. You will study a range of texts from the classics to the modern, with a range of poetry, drama and novels. You will develop skills which are sought after and having a qualification in English Literature is invaluable in future careers such as Journalism, Law, Media and Teaching. The aims are clear: to encourage and sustain wider reading and advanced, detailed research within the field of literary studies.

Entry requirements

GCSE grade B or better in English Literature for a guaranteed place. Students with grade C will be considered in consultation with Head of English and Head of Sixth Form.

Course details and assessment format

ASUnit1: 20% EXAM Prose and Drama

(Bronte's Jane Eyre and Williams' A Streetcar named Desire)

ASUnit2: 20% EXAM Poetry (Larkin/Duffy)

ASUnit3: 20% EXAM Poetry

(Chaucer's The Merchant's Tale and unseen poetry)

ASUnit4: 20% EXAM Shakespeare (Hamlet)

ASUnit5: 20% Non-examination-assessment:
pre 2000/post2000 prose study

Skills which are developed and possible progression

AS/A2 English Literature provides a sound basis for any arts-based higher education or further education course.

Possible further options would include Publishing, Advertising, Journalism, Law, Teaching and Public Administration.

"I've really enjoyed doing English as I've studied such an interesting variety of texts, there's so many opportunities to talk about your own ideas and the lessons are really fun and informative!"

Daniel Starkey

