

This way to Year 8



Summer 1

'The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time'

- Gaining a better insight into autism through Christopher's character.
- Creative writing using varied sentences from the perspective of various characters.
- Developing skills of visualisation and empathy to facilitate creative writing.
- Identifying keywords, word classes and inferring their impact to develop understanding of characters.

Summer 2

Unseen texts: Mystery & Murder

- Introducing and explaining the impact of structural techniques: shifts, effective openings and flashbacks.
- Analysis of word classes and connotations in fiction
- Creative writing using setting and foreshadowing.

Spring Term

Spring 1

'The Tempest'

- Understanding the context of Shakespeare and his
- Analysing language used to present Prospero, Caliban and Ariel, along with their relationships.
- Creative writing using figurative language and vocabulary for impact.
- Exploring key themes to understand Shakespeare's

Spring 2

Unseen texts: Power, control and freedom

- Exploring character development through direct and indirect speech.
- Developing oracy through peer discussion on social
- Analysing the impact of figurative language and imagery in poetry.
- Exploring injustice through unseen poems and short

Autumn Term

Autumn 1 'Welcome to Nowhere'

- Exploring Omar's character development to present the impact of war.
- Understanding connotations of keywords.
- Developing speaking and listening skills to understand different perspectives.
- Discussing key themes such as: gender inequality; prejudice towards people with disabilities, international conflict; refugee journeys and borders.

Autumn 2 Unseen Texts: War & Conflict

- Analysis of tone and emotive language in poetry and fiction texts.
- Creative writing using emotive language and a variety of sentence starters to create tension.
- Analysis of quotes using visualisation and empathy.
 - Exploring poets and writers' attitudes towards social issues.



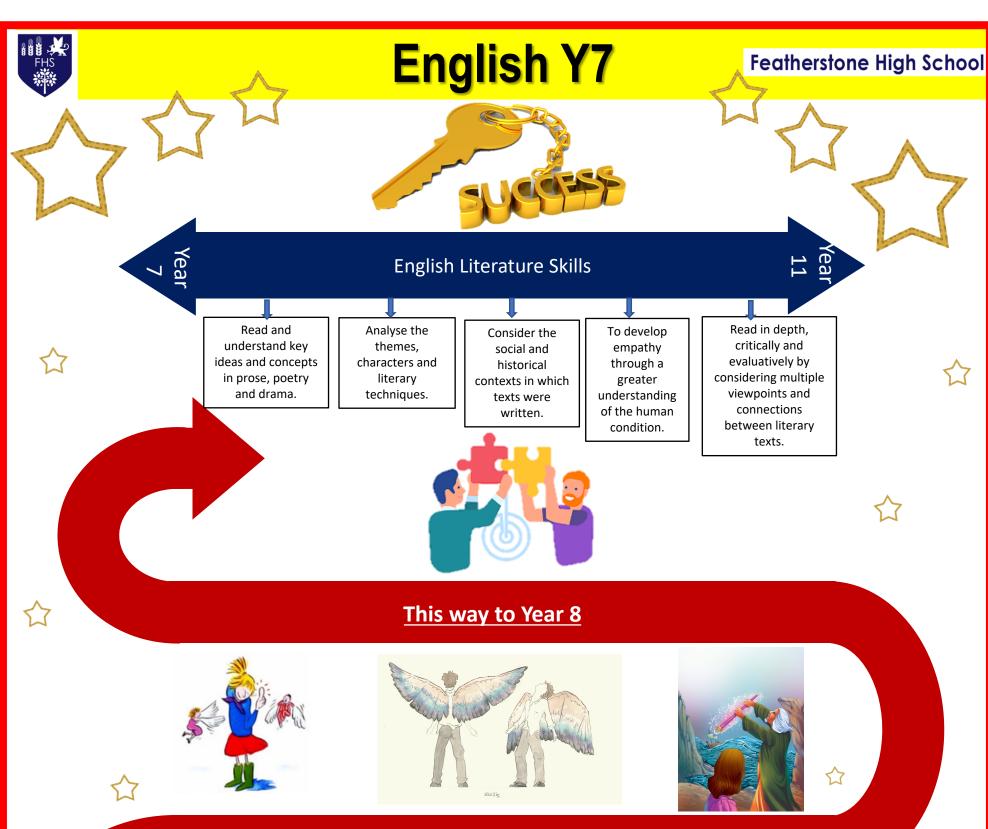
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- Competent word reading skills and know what to do when they encounter new words.
- Perform poems and plays aloud, taking note of intonation and tone.
- Present information they've learnt from a non-fiction text and provide justified reasons for their views.
- Recognise and discuss how figurative language is used by the author to impact the reader.

Writing

- Begin to write longer pieces using more imaginative and powerful vocabulary.
- Considering how authors have developed characters and
- Summarising the main ideas drawn from more than 1 paragraph, identifying key details that support the main
- Using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader.





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- Creative writing using varied sentences from the perspective of various characters.
- Understanding the context of Shakespeare and his plays.
- Understanding what a theme is and identifying examples within the play.
- Developing inference skills to understand thoughts and feelings of different characters.

Spring Term



'Skellig'

- Identifying relevant and appropriate quotations to support a statement.
- To begin to make inferences about key characters.
- Creative writing using figurative language and vocabulary for impact.
- Applying knowledge of characterisation to a character in Skellig.
- Descriptive writing using interesting nouns, adjectives and verbs.





Autumn Term

KS2

'The Magic Finger'

- Understanding the text / sequencing & summary
- Characterisation including characters' feelings and point of view
- Understanding word classes and language features.
- Sentence structure including noun phrases and compound sentences





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