

Subject and Year Group	Autumn Year 8	Autumn 2 Year 8	Spring 1 Year 8	Spring 2 Year 8	Summer 1 Year 8	Summer 2 Year 8
Topic/Unit to be studied	'The news' Print The Other Side of Truth		Poems from Other Cultures and Traditions Sherlock Holmes and Lamb to the Slaughter		Modern play – Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman	
Core Knowledge and skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluating news methods Language and structure of the news Conventions of a broadsheet and a tabloid article Conventions of broadcasting news <p>VOCABULARY: broadsheet, tabloid, red tops, rolling news</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Context - Ken Saro-Wiwa and Nigeria in 1995 Context on political leaning of newspapers and how this influences their presentation of subjects Stereotyping of refugees SPAG <p>VOCABULARY: refugees, corruption, free press, state run press, stereotyping, prejudice</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broaden experience of writers from across cultures, Investigate how context informs our response to poems Move from theme, mood and tone to structure, line length, stanza length, dialect and word choice <p>VOCABULARY: caesura, dialect, enjambment, stanza, apartheid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language and structure of modern plays Contextual information - science/religion Creative writing – present a viewpoint Creative writing – creating a narrative Oracy skills- using Standard English, non-fluency features and engaging an audience SPAG <p>VOCABULARY: hard boiled detective, archetypes, red herrings, mystery</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparing texts Understanding of the text's context and writers' influences Writing to argue Sourcing evidence to support essay writing Language and structure of modern plays Oracy skills - impact of word choice and delivery SPAG <p>VOCABULARY: prejudice, terrorism, freedom fighter, stereotypes, subversion, segregation,</p>	

Assessments	<p>The News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparison of tabloid and broadsheet newspaper. • Write a tabloid report. <p>The Other side of Truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore Newsround and create a script for it. • Reading comprehension 	<p>Poems from Other Cultures and Traditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparison of two poems • Viewpoint writing <p>Sherlock Holmes and Lamb to the Slaughter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine and compare how the detectives are presented in each of the short stories. • Write a defence speech for Mary Maloney 	<p>Modern play – Noughts and Crosses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information sheet to be given to noughts • Exploration of a key character
Useful Links			
<p>Enhance your knowledge of newspapers here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u35XZdyB2So</p> <p>Update your knowledge of the world by watching the news here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround</p> <p>Learn more about Ken Saro Wiwa here: https://kids.britannica.com/students/article/Ken-Saro-Wiwa/599361</p> <p>Ensure your speech is the best it can be with the help of this website: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zv7fq3/articles/z4w96v4</p> <p>Enhance your understanding of poetry here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zmbj382</p> <p>Become a superb critical reader here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfdh8xs</p> <p>See how well you really know Sherlock Holmes here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I8992A5oAWM</p> <p>Improve your knowledge of Charles Dickens here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsVzpAN2jhY</p> <p>Enhance your knowledge of workhouses here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-z8wZwg3mdc</p>			