

Entry Requirements:

Holy Family Sixth Form entry requirements apply. It is recommended that you have at least a 5 grade in English Language or Literature GCSE in order to register for the course.

The Learning:

The course will be delivered by English specialists over five lessons a week. Students will be asked to complete independent study and research and will learn to express themselves in speech and writing with increasing competence and sophistication. They will begin to analyse and discuss language used in written, spoken or even multi-modal texts and a range of different Literature texts including a novel, poetry and a play. They will develop a broad understanding of different language use in texts from the past, as well as learning how to respond perceptively to the way writers or speakers use language. Students will also be given the opportunity to apply their increased knowledge and understanding to create texts of their own through recasting chapters or parts of a course novel in a different form. This course has a 20% coursework element.

What direction this course might take you in:

English Language and Literature is an excellent basis for any course that requires good communication skills in spoken and written English. It will also work well for those wishing to broaden their subject-base, and the exploration of concepts and issues relating to language in use will complement students' studies in other subject areas as well as provide some preparation for future employment. The following progression routes are available: Publishing, Advertising, Law and Journalism, Teacher Training, Public Services, e.g. Police, Medical Services, Civil Service, Libraries, Advertising Agencies, PR Companies, Accountancy, Leisure Industries.