

# A-level

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE

### Course description:

In the AS English Language course you will learn to analyse texts at all levels. Texts are created and received to convey different messages and ideas about issues and people – this is the focus of our course. The course enables students to understand the technicalities and mechanics of the English Language, analysing at a very detailed level to understand the writer's intentions for his or her audience. You will also learn about the variations in the English Language and the necessary terminology to express your ideas about how themes and ideas are represented and the subtle ways that writers manipulate their audiences. As part of the assessment of this course you will also use what you have learned to write texts.

### Course content

- An introduction to the analysis of language

- Textual variations and how writers appeal to and manipulate their audiences

- Representations of ideas in texts

- Understanding language diversity both within and outside the UK

- The issues within English Language and its diversity

### Assessment:

AS Paper 1: 1 hour and 30 minutes/50% of the AS. Analysing two texts on the same theme, and a comparison of the two.

AS Paper 2: 1 hour and 30 minutes/50% of the AS. Writing an essay on the diversity of the English Language, and writing a text on the attitudes to the English Language.