

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	<p>'The news' Print</p> <p>The Other Side of Truth</p>		<p>Poems from Other Cultures and Traditions</p> <p>Sherlock Holmes and Lamb to the Slaughter</p>		<p>Sherlock Holmes and Lamb to the Slaughter</p> <p>Modern play – Oliver Twist</p>	
Core Knowledge and skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Context - Ken Saro-Wiwa and Nigeria in 1995 Language and structure of the news Convention of persuasive writing Conventions of a broadsheet and a tabloid article Context on political leaning of newspapers and how this influences their presentation of subjects Who owns the media and what influence does this have SPAG 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language and structure of modern plays Contextual information - science/religion Sourcing relevant evidence to support essay writing Conventions of broadcasting news Creative writing – present a viewpoint Creative writing – creating a narrative Oracy skills- using Standard English, non-fluency features and engaging an audience SPAG 		<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 mystery genre Oracy skills - impact of word choice and delivery SPAG 	

Assessments	<p>The News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Comparison of tabloid and broadsheet newspaper.• Write a tabloid report.	<p>Poems from Other Cultures and Traditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Comparison of two poems• Viewpoint writing	<p>Modern play – Oliver Twist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TV news report about the key events in Oliver Twist• Exploration of the presentation of Nancy
	<p>The Other side of Truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore Newsround and create a script for it.• Understand how personification is used.	<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?	
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=l8992A5oAWM</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>			