

Welcome to All New S1. In the English Faculty we are all looking forward to seeing you in August. In August you will be joining one of five S1 English classes. On arriving you will be greeted by your English teacher and we will start you on a new and exciting journey in our Faculty.

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The English S1 course is skills based and focuses on the skills of Reading, Writing, Listening and Talk. As a Faculty we use Novels, Plays, Poetry and Media as a basis to teach these skills. Unfortunately we haven't been able to use our transition novel "George" this year to start our course on the P7 visit days but we will revisit this later in the academic session. On joining the school in August we will be providing all S1 with a Poetry booklet and a Language Skills booklet in order for S1 to have the necessary materials for both in school learning and potential home learning. As a Faculty we work closely with the community Librarian who is working hard to create a number of new and different opportunities for young people to access literature over a number of different platforms. In class all pupils can access chrome books to support in class learning. We understand that preparation and expectation for beginning in August has been difficult but a positive has been the opportunity for personal reading and engagement with digital literature. As a Faculty we regularly engage in National writing competitions and media events.

Our message to you over summer is enjoy your break and keep reading. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Mrs Craig