

Enrichment Lectures

Date (all Thursdays 1.30-2 in EN2)	Lecture name and details	Year group / groups	Teacher
21 Nov 19	<p>Postcards from the Dead An overview of different theorists that can be used to enhance our readings of the GCSE texts. The session will then focus more specifically on a feminist reading of 'An Inspector Calls', discussing how theorist Simone de Beauvoir's ideas can be applied to the character of Eva Smith.</p>	Year 11	Miss Nash-Walker
5 Dec 19	<p>Criminology Ever watched an episode of CSI? Well, it is nothing like that in the real world! Come and find out the truth behind criminal profiling, the psychology behind criminal activity and the mind of a serial killer.</p>	Years 9-11	Mr Rhodes
19 Dec 19	<p>Ethical Hacking The "hacking" of computer systems is always a bad thing... or is it? Find out more about the arguments surrounding when hacking is considered a public service rather than a criminal act.</p>	All years	Mrs Toogood
23 Jan 20	<p>The Science of Medicine: Past and Future Who were the key scientists who shaped our world of medicine? How will we treat patients in the future? Why can Science and Technology play important roles in the future of medicine? Will organ transplant lists be a thing of the past? Can <i>you</i> be a part of this exciting future?</p>	Years 9-11	Mrs Anslow
6 Feb 20	<p>How making great connections makes you a better thinker. The greatest thinkers, artists, musicians, scientists and writers (I'll stop there but I could go on) are able to achieve great things because of the connections that they made. This session explores this idea and shows you how use it to be successful at school, in your exams and producing great things yourself whatever area you are interested in.</p>	All years	Mr Heppell
27 Feb 20	<p>Angel or Whore? The portrayal of women in Victorian Literature. Focusing on how women are shown to be two extremes in the vast majority of Victorian literature – either an idealised homemaker or a fallen woman. We will look at some examples and consider what they show us about the patriarchal Victorian society at the time and the roles available to women. This will help in your understanding of English Literature from all eras, as gender representation is a key concept we explore in all types of texts.</p>	Years 9-11	Mrs Duffy

12 Mar 20	<p>Theatre that challenges</p> <p>We will discuss and explore Brecht's theories and methods (with some practical), purpose, intentions and effect. We will look at some specific examples from Brecht's works as well as extracts from other plays. We will examine how theatre has had to change to survive and how powerful political theatre evolved and provoked change.</p>	Years 9-11	Mrs Reynolds
26 Mar 20	<p>The British International Brigadiers of the Spanish Civil War.</p> <p>This lecture is partly related to what I did for my Ph.D which I sometimes mention to my students and they are interested to find out more. I will talk about what the Spanish Civil War was – the first battle of WW2 and about what the IBs were and the type of people that volunteered. I will bring in some of the memoirs of veterans that I have collected and some of my correspondence with them. I will also talk about some of the interviews I did with them that talk about their experiences on the battlefields of Spain. Of course they are all dead now.</p>	All years but particularly years 9-11	Dr Suart
24 Apr 20 (Friday)	<p>The presentation of the vampire in Dracula and its literary portrayal.</p> <p>We will consider the origins of vampire Gothic fiction and key texts associated with it. How the vampire has been presented in more contemporary fiction and the key political and historical events which have influenced this.</p>	Years 7-8	Mrs Higton
7 May 20	<p>Psychology – from Aristotle to Albert Bandura. A journey of the scientific study of behaviour and the mind.</p> <p>We will explore the history of Psychology, the development of the social sciences and their implications in society today, from memory and perception to language, thoughts and communication. Psychology is everywhere, intrinsic in life. You may leave with more questions than you came, but you will be empowered to find out more.</p>	Years 9-11	Mr Joy
21 May 20	<p>An introduction to Japanese language, writing and culture.</p> <p>In this session you will learn how to draw ten Japanese Kanji alphabet characters and understand how they relate to ancient pictures.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>山 川 日 mountain river sun</p> </div> <p>We will cover some basic everyday phrases, and learn a bit of Japanese slang. Ganbatte kudasai! Plus my top 5 fascinating Japanese culture insights - the significance of missing fingers, raw jellyfish as a delicacy and much, much more...</p>	All years	Mr Anderson