

CLYST VALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

English Department Information

Ethos

Our department is characterised by a strong sense of collaboration and enthusiasm for our subject and students. We enjoy an excellent working relationship with colleagues in other departments. Our main aim is to achieve the highest possible standards for all pupils and ensure that our curriculum offers a rich and diverse range of learning experiences.

Personnel

The English team has seven specialist teachers; most have responsibilities either within the department or around the college.

Curriculum and Qualifications

Students are taught in mixed ability groups in Y7 and 8, ability streams in year 9 and set at KS4. We follow the Edexcel 9-1 GCSE syllabi for English Literature and English Language. Post 16 students take the AQA Lit A course.

At Key Stage three we have created popular schemes of work that allow students to develop the skills required at GCSE. We hope that this will have a positive impact on results and augment the potential of our students. We are aware that reflection is a key component of a robust department and seek to continually review content, learning and delivery of lessons in order to improve the quality and benefits for students.

Facilities

English accommodation is in a purpose built suite of eight classrooms and includes a large English office. Each member of the team has their own teaching room. The Department is well resourced; both in terms of classroom materials and other technical facilities.

Context

The post on offer would suit a newly qualified or experienced teacher who can demonstrate their commitment to securing good outcomes for students with special needs.

Results – A* - C

%	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Eng Lang	67.9	79	68.4	68	80.6	82.1	72
Eng Lit	74.7	86	79	83	96.1	90.8	81

Application

Your application should focus specifically on relevant experience at Key Stages 3-4; outline your approach to meeting challenging externally set targets for all students and explain how you engage all students fully in their English lessons.