

## **YEAR 7**

### **ENGLISH**

#### **Curriculum Content**

Girls will study at least:

- One modern novel
- One drama text
- A selection of pre and post 20th century poetry

#### **Knowledge, skills and understanding**

Girls will study:

- Grammar and technical skills
- Parts of speech / words classes
- Figures of speech
- Punctuation, e.g. apostrophe, direct speech
- Literary terms; e.g. plot, character
- Formal and informal language
- Spelling strategies

#### *Speaking and Listening Skills*

Girls will undertake a variety of tasks within the class context including:

- Giving individual talks
- Undertaking pair and group work during such activities as brainstorming and planning, role playing, debating and having class discussions
- Reading and performing from play scripts / poems
- Discussing character, plot, writers' ideas and methods, and, readers and audiences' interpretations

#### *Reading Skills*

Girls will develop skills by following a scheme of reading from Skills in English I and a series of Practice Papers.

#### *Writing Skills*

Girls will work to:

- Practise formal and informal modes
- Produce genre such as: letters, diaries, creative writing
- Work on technical skills: spelling, punctuation, sentence–structure and text structure

#### **Assessment opportunities**

- Regular homework tasks

- Core reading and writing tasks during the year
- Diagnostic reading paper in term one
- Practice papers in reading and writing
- End of year examination