

In this term, students will develop their writing skills as well as their reading skills. Classes will explore and examine writing styles, genre, mise en scene and the importance of setting – this will enable students to write to describe more engagingly. Some homework tasks have been designed to extend and develop work completed in class, while other tasks are essential preparation tasks which need to be completed in order to participate fully in the lesson.

Below is a list of the homework that students will complete throughout this scheme of work. It is worth noting that the class teacher will set homework to support their class and so, as a result of this, the order of homework may vary or there may be additional homework to that listed below. For specific information, it is recommended that you contact the teacher of your child directly.

Year 8 – Autumn 1 – Ghost stories

- Research true ghost stories and legends.
- Paragraphing worksheet.
- Connectives worksheet.
- Analysis of the opening of two ghost stories.
- Complete plans for ghost stories.
- Create a soundtrack for your ghost story.
- Neat versions of ghost stories to be completed, taking in to account style, font, images etc.
- Write a character description of two characters (one good and one bad character) from a ghost story.
- Annotate ghost story writing, explaining choices made and reasoning behind style and layout.
- Speaking and Listening self assessment sheet.
- Evaluation of the activities covered and what has been learnt throughout this topic.