

Birchwood High School

Dear Parents and Carers.

I hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the crucial period of Year 11 English GCSE examinations, I am writing to inform you about the upcoming revision sessions that have been organized in collaboration with Herts For Learning to enhance your child's understanding and preparation for the prescribed texts.

Below is the schedule for the revision sessions:

1. A Christmas Carol

Date: February 17, 2024

Time: 09:30 - 11:30

2. An Inspector Calls

Date: March 2, 2024

Time: 09:30 - 11:30

3. Love and Relationships Poetry

Date: March 9, 2024

Time: 13:30 - 15:30

4. Unseen Poetry

Date: March 16, 2024

Time: 09:30 - 11:30

5. Romeo and Juliet

Date: March 23, 2024

Time: 09:30 - 11:30

These sessions aim to provide a comprehensive review of the key themes, characters, literary devices, and contextual factors relevant to each text. English staff, in partnership with Herts For Learning, will guide students through targeted discussions, analysis, and practice exercises to deepen your understanding and strengthen your skills in critical interpretation and essay writing.

Attendance at these revision sessions is highly encouraged. The sessions will take place in D block classrooms. Students should aim to arrive in good time be ready for the start of the sessions. School uniform is not required.

Please note that there are 60 places available for each session, and there is no cost to attend. Parents are kindly requested to sign up on Parent Pay to secure a place for their child. There is also the option to purchase individual access to the sessions should your child wish to attend the sessions remotely. I have attached information from Herts For Learning explaining how to do this.

Should you have any further inquiries or require additional support, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the English department.

Warm regards,

Matthew Reilly

Head of English Faculty