

English Language

AQA

Why study this subject at Hayesfield?

This is for you if you enjoy analysing language and our relationship with it. You will investigate how children learn to talk, how our daily lives shape the way we speak and how web pages have really developed from books. The course requires you to be able to analyse texts, synthesize material, and to produce your own creative writing pieces, and re-mould those of others.

Course content - Year 12

Language and the Individual - explore a range of texts using methods of language analysis.

Language Varieties - explore language in its wider social and geographical contexts.

Course content - Year 13

Language, the Individual and Society - textual variations and representations, children's language development and methods of language analysis.

Language Diversity and Change - how our language has diversified over time, language discourses and writing skills.

Assessment

Non-examined assessment - 20%

Language in Action - a language investigation (2,000 word data) and a piece of original writing and commentary (750 words each).

Two terminal examinations - 80%.

We're proud of A Level English Language results with 47% at A*-B, university language conference visits, live interactive lectures with Goldsmiths (London) and a strong tradition in creative writing.

Entry requirements and subject specific skills

Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language and Literature.

This subject works well with

Anything! It will complement three sciences, or essay-based subjects such as History or Philosophy and Ethics.

Extra/Super curricular activities

Theatre trips

Visiting lectures

Workshops

Author visits

University visits

Competitions

Future Pathways

A range of careers, including Teaching, Law, Academia, Marketing and Finance.

The possibilities are endless.

Recent exam success

100% pass rates 2015-2017.

47% A*-B (compared to 38% A*-B Nationally).