

Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Re: Year 10 Narrative Writing**

We hope you and your family are well.

Following the Year 10 English Language mock examination, we would like to update you on your child's progress in preparing their narrative for the assessment.

Unfortunately, your child did not demonstrate that they had learned or used their prepared narrative in the mock exam. As a result, they were unable to access the full range of marks available for this section. It is essential that your child now puts sustained effort into learning their narrative and practicing how to adapt it so that it links effectively to the specific task set in the exam.

To support them with this, we will be revisiting narrative writing skills during tutor-time intervention sessions and in Period 6 English lessons. **We have also noted that your child's attendance to Period 6 lessons is currently below 80%. These sessions are an important part of our support programme, and we would greatly appreciate your encouragement in ensuring they attend regularly moving forward.**

We kindly ask for your support at home in ensuring that your child learns their narrative thoroughly. Regular practice such as reading the narrative aloud, rewriting it from memory, or testing key sections will make a significant difference to their confidence and performance in the next assessment.

If you require an additional copy of your child's prepared narrative to support them with revision at home, please email your child's English teacher, who will be happy to send this to you.

Students will complete a Component 2 mock examination during the first week back after the Christmas break, followed by a further round of mock exams in the spring term. Please find below a reminder of the confirmed GCSE English Language exam dates:

- **Component 1:** Thursday 21 May 2026
- **Component 2:** Friday 5 June 2026

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help your child make the progress needed to achieve their full potential in their GCSE studies.

Yours faithfully



**Mrs K Aston**  
**Head of English**



**Ms E O'Connor**  
**Headteacher**