Year 8: English	Curriculum Intent: Students will read Animal Farm, alongside which they will read and write a range of non-fiction texts related to it. They will read Shakespeare's tragedy Romeo and Juliet from which they will read and write a range of fiction texts. Students will also complete a unit of work on poetry from other cultures where they will read and analyse poetry and write their own poetry. Through these units of work, students will work out the meaning of words from the context and be introduced to challenging vocabulary about writers' methods and genres. Students will explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, drawing inferences and justifying these with evidence, focusing particularly on evaluating how authors use non-fiction genres to communicate ideas and opinions. Students will continue to develop grammar, spelling and punctuation skills by looking at how writers manipulate grammar and punctuation to enhance meaning and by applying accurate grammar, spelling and punctuation to their own non-fiction writing. Students will retrieve information from non-fiction texts. They will summarise main ideas, identifying key details and using quotations for illustration and compare and evaluate non-fiction texts on the same topic.							
	Term 1 Animal Farm Rhetoric	Term 2 Romeo and Juliet	Term 3 Non-Fiction Extracts Culture Poetry					
Reading and Writing Focus Speaking and Listening Focus	Reading: Animal Farm – comprehension of plot on level of a story about animals.  Add context to see George Orwell's message is connected to Russian Revolution.  Language analysis using extracts from texts.  Writer's purpose linked to adverts – persuasion.  Writing: Persuasive Writing: Speech	Reading: Comprehension of the plot, understanding of contextual influences. Language analysis using key extracts. Writer's viewpoint explored through character presentations.  Writing: Reporting events from Verona in the form of a newspaper.	Reading: Exploring culture and identify through poetry.  Writing: Understanding non-fiction text types and writing styles					
Key Questions	<ol> <li>Allegory or Fairy Tales.</li> <li>Context</li> <li>Old Major's Speech.</li> <li>Speech Writing.</li> <li>Designing an election campaign.</li> <li>Presentation of Snowball,</li> <li>What is persuasive writing?</li> <li>What is rhetoric?</li> <li>What is rhetoric?</li> <li>What is persuasive writing?</li> <li>Can you identify rhetorical</li> <li>Can you identify rhetorical</li> </ol>	11. Who was William Shakespeare? 12. Context 13. What was the Globe Theatre? 14. What is a Dramatic Monologue? 15. What is a Prologue? 23. Who is Friar Lawrence? 24. What happens at R&J's wedding? 25. Who is Tybalt? 26. Who is Mercutio? 27. Why does Juliet refuse her father? 28. What is Friar Lawrence's plan? 29. Why doesn't Romeo receive the letter?	1. What is culture? 2. What is identify? 3. Which important cultural aspects are explored in poem 1?  11. What is nonfiction? 12. What is perspective and viewpoint? 13. What are the features of a speech? 14. How do you determine between fact or opinion?					

	Napoleon & Squealer.  7. Matching characters to historical figures.  8. Propaganda Posters.  9. Democracy vs. Dictatorship.  10. Snowball vs. Napoleon.  11. Decline of Animalism.  12. Presentation of Animalism.  13. Poor Snowball.  14. Stalin's Purges  15. Satire  16. Tyranny vs. Equality.  17. Comrade Napoleon.  18. Writing speeches.  19. Exploring Boxer.  20. Animal Farm Drama.  21. Chapter 10 — conclusion.	methods in a speech?  7. What examples of rhetoric can be found in MLK speech?  8. How do you use rhetoric in your own writing?  9. How can you develop an argument using pathos?  10. Why is a counter argument effective?	<ul> <li>16. What's the story of R&amp;J?</li> <li>17. How do we define 'fate'?</li> <li>18. What happens at the Capulet ball?</li> <li>19. Who is Juliet?</li> <li>20. Who is Romeo?</li> <li>21. What happens in the Balcony scene?</li> <li>22. Who is to blame for the violence in the play?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>30. Who is Paris?</li> <li>31. What happens to the main characters?</li> <li>32. How does the play end?</li> <li>33. What is a newspaper format? How can we recap the story of R&amp;J?</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>What are the features of Dinka poetry?</li> <li>What is it to be a stranger in your home country?</li> <li>What is symbolism in poetry?</li> <li>How is language and structure used effectively?</li> <li>How is imagery used in poetry?</li> <li>How can you use poetry to reflect your own culture?</li> <li>10.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>15. What is tone?</li> <li>16. What are the key purposes of non-fiction?</li> <li>17. Who is the audience in non-fiction writing?</li> <li>18. What are the key genres in non-fiction?</li> <li>19. How do you establish reliability in non-fiction?</li> <li>20. What are the differences between fact or fiction?</li> <li>21. How to write a persuasive speech.</li> </ul>
Vocabulary	Ideology Allegory Satire Context Speech Propaganda Russian Revolution Historical Context Emotive Language Sympathy	Pathos Logos Ethos Anecdote Alliteration Triplets/rule of three Statistics Facts Opinion Emotive language	Tragedy Foreshadow Prologue Chorus Soliloquy Sonnet Imagery Antithesis Oxymoron Iambic pentameter	Plague Irony/dramatic irony Personification Melancholy/melancholic Defy/defiance feud Appease Sincere Impulsive Ingenuous/disingenuous	Culture Dinka Poetic techniques Reflection Identity Symbolism India Caribbean South Africa Pakistan	Tone Genre Non-Fiction Speech Persuade Argue Entertain Inform Article Letter

Grammar, punctuation and spelling	<ol> <li>What are the key word classes?</li> <li>How does functional grammar work in practice?</li> <li>Differences between nouns and noun phrases.</li> <li>What are determiners?</li> <li>What are pronouns?</li> </ol>	Exaggeration Repetition Imperative Direct address Persuade  6. Understanding tense and how to use accurately. 7. Identifying modal verbs. 8. What are adverbs? 9. What are adverbials? 10. What are prepositions?	Requited/unrequited Grudge Alliance Banish Wretch Baggage Wither  11. What are conjunctions? 12. What are connectives? 13. What are the different sentence types? 14. What is a clause? What is a phrase?	Resolute/resolution Volatile Maternal Loyal/loyalty  15. What is    punctuation? 16. Understanding    pauses (commas). 17. How do we separate    subordinate clauses    if they begin the    sentence? 18. How do we add in    extra information? 19. How to use direct    speech? 20. What are dashes,    hyphens and    ellipses.	Structure Organisation Layout Tone Viewpoint Stanza  21. Why do different text types require different sentence structures? 22. How to vary sentences to achieve different effects?	Online Bias Fact Fiction Opinion  23. What are apostrophes? 24. When to use a colon and semi-colon. 25. How to avoid ambiguity. 26. What is cohesion?
Assessment (Related to mastery grids)	Assessment 1: Retention quiz – R&J  Assessment 2: MS1 & MS2 reading assessment	Assessment 3: Retention quiz  Assessment 4: MS5 & MS6 writing assessment	Assessment 1: Retention quiz  Assessment 2: MS1 & MS3 reading assessment	Assessment 3: Retention quiz  Assessment 4: MS5 & MS6 writing assessment	Assessment 1: Retention quiz  Assessment 2: MS1 & MS4 reading assessment	Assessment 3: Retention quiz  Assessment 4: MS5 & MS6 writing assessment