

1. Getting organised...

Organisation will be crucial for all pupils. Make a note of the key dates (in the front of the English book). You could also make sure that your child has an A4 File to ensure that all revision notes are kept up-to-date and organised.

2. Read, read, read...

Encouraging your child to read every day is vital in developing literacy skills and confidence. You can make a great start by ensuring your child has a copy of the chosen set texts for the GCSE course.



Unit 2a (a.m. exam on Wednesday May 26 th , 2021)
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Robert Cormier's <i>Heroes</i> and JB Priestley's <i>An Inspector Calls</i>

3. Homework

The completion of homework is crucial in ensuring your child is fully up-to-date with tasks in English. Homework can include research, or completing reading and writing tasks based on what is being studied during this term. These usually need to be uploaded to the Google Classroom).

4. Stay app-dated

All pupils are instructed to join the relevant Hwb class and the necessary code has been shared with learners. Your child will also have login details for a useful learning platform called GCSE Pod. Additionally, there are numerous apps and websites which can help develop literacy skills and encourage on-line learning. Some highlights include:

- <https://hwb.wales.gov.uk/resources> Welsh Government website, packed with teaching and learning resources based on the New GCSE (search for GCSE English)
- <http://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/english/english-gcse/> WJEC website is the home to all necessary information on the specification and includes downloadable past papers and resources.
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zr9d7ty> The new website for BBC Bitesize (GCSE English resources)

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5. Twitter

Why not follow the English department on @EnglishSjl (http: to be kept up-to-date on the latest news and events?)



6. Keep in touch!

Please feel free to communicate any praise, concerns or queries in the contact book, by telephoning the school or by getting in touch with Mrs Victoria Jones (Head of English and Literacy) via victoria.jones@stjohnlloyd.co.uk