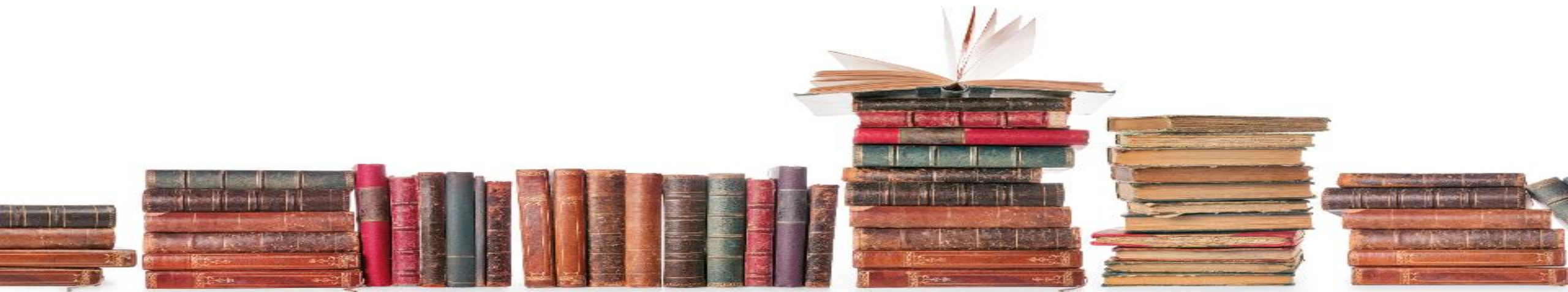


Welcome to the English Department



Miss Harris – Director of English and Performing Arts

Favourite book: *Memoirs of a Geisha* by Arthur Golden

Favourite film: Jurassic Park

Fun fact: I love elephants and have over 100 figurines/toys/pictures of them in my house!

Why I love being a teacher: I have the most fun every day. There's never a dull moment and I love the weird and wonderful things students come out with.



Mrs Gillingham – Deputy Head of English

Favourite book: *One Hundred Years of Solitude* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

Favourite film: Dirty Dancing

Fun fact: I danced with Wayne Sleep at White Lodge Ballet School many, many years ago!

Why I love being a teacher: I love the busyness and the chatter of being with young people. It is a beautiful thing to see a student shyly arrive in Year 7 and leave us proudly in Year 11.



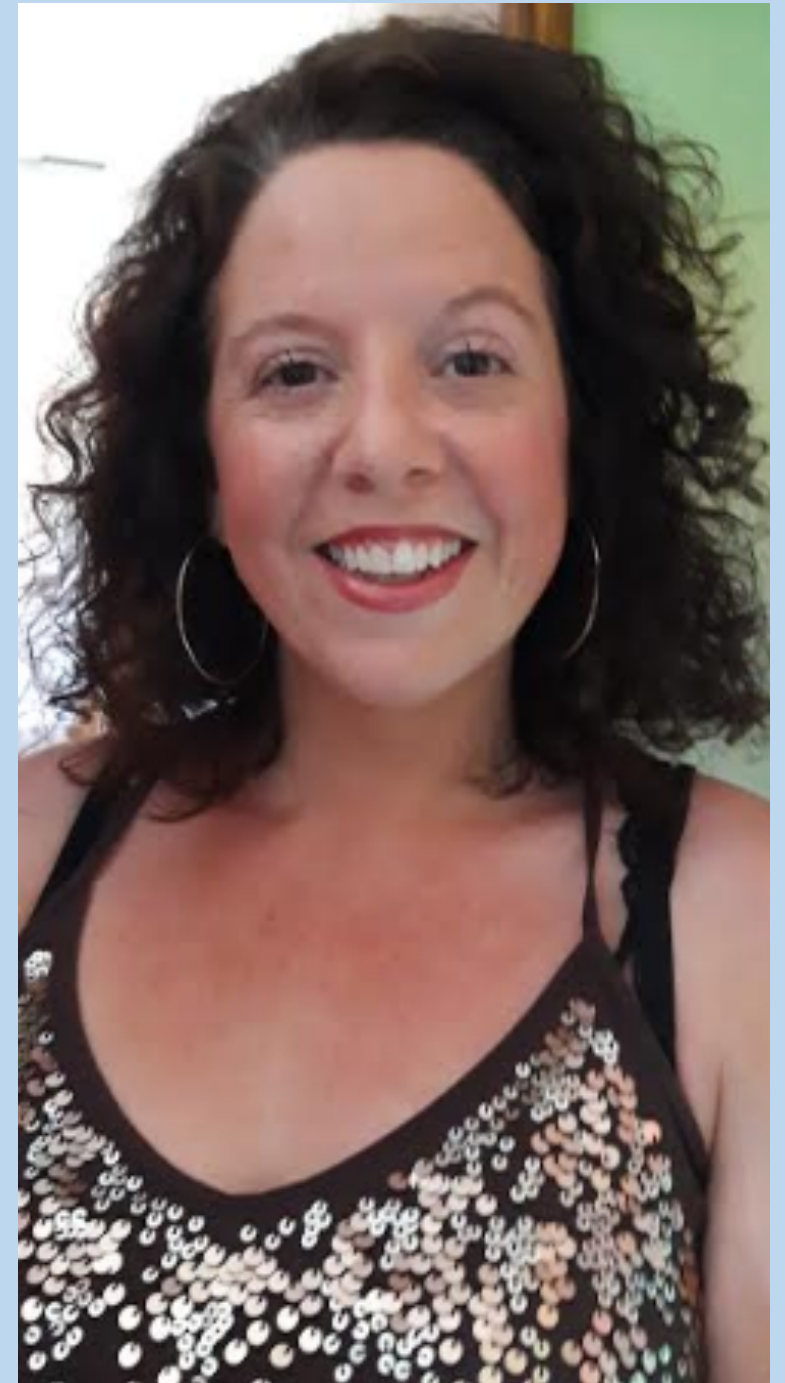
Mrs May – Literacy Lead

Favourite book: *Bring Up the Bodies* by Hilary Mantel.

Favourite film: *The Secret Life of Pets 2*

Fun fact: I used to be a student at Tewkesbury School many years ago – there are still some staff here who taught me!!

Why I love being a teacher: I love that we learn together and laugh together.



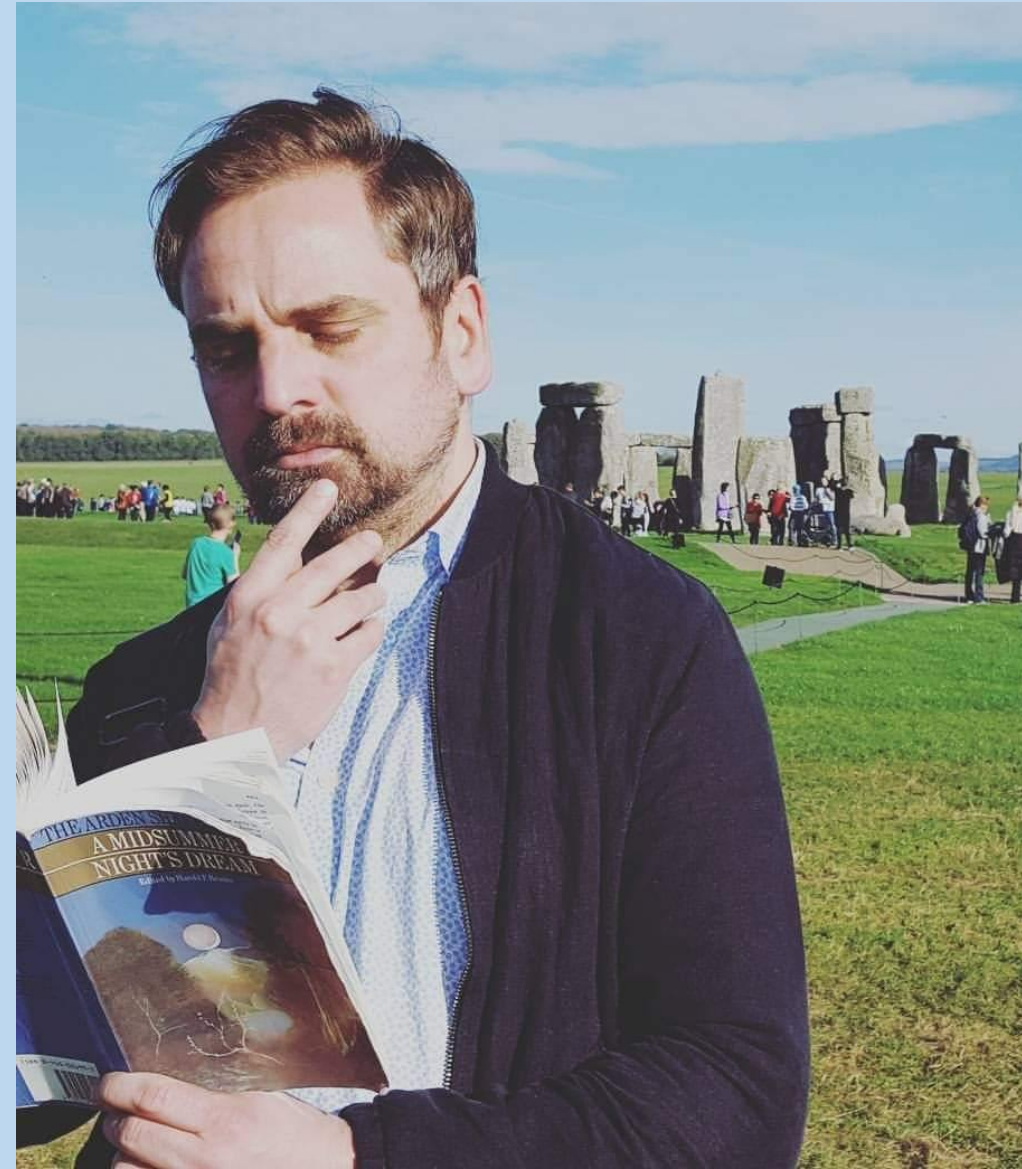
Mr Selman – English and Drama Teacher

Favourite book: *The Good Soldier* by Ford Madox Ford

Favourite film: *The Beat That My Heart Skipped*

Fun fact: I have run 4 marathons and 2 ultra marathons

Why I love being a teacher: It beats digging ditches



Mrs Brownhill: Lead English T.A

Favourite book: *This is Going to Hurt: Secret Diaries of a Junior Doctor*, by Adam Kay

Favourite film: Grease

Fun fact: I am a qualified hairdresser.

Why I love being a TA: I love the fact that everyday is different. I enjoy the banter with the students and the fact that just one thing I do could help someone access their work .



Mrs Fellowes – English Teacher

Favourite book: *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë

Favourite film: *It's a Wonderful Life*.

Fun fact: I'm obsessed with dogs.

Why I love being a teacher: Every day is different and every day I am reminded that humans can be lovely, kind and fun.



Mrs Hill – English Teacher

Favourite book: *Hard Times* by Charles Dickens

Favourite film: *Awakenings*

Fun fact: I love pink!

Why I love being a teacher:

There is no other job where I could meet so many interesting people every hour of every day.



Mrs King – English Teacher

Favourite book: Wuthering Heights

Favourite film: The Lost Boys

Fun fact: I have been swimming with sharks and fed a sting ray! I also love tomato ketchup on most things (but it has to be Heinz).

Why I love being a teacher: Every day is different and I love seeing students get that 'lightbulb moment' when things slot into place and they then have the confidence to have a go at tasks they once saw as too challenging.



Miss Harris – English Teacher

Favourite book: *Shantaram* by David Gregory

Favourite film: I don't have one! But I still love *The Sound of Music*, as I did when I was little.

Fun fact: I was once on a TV gameshow.

Why I love being a teacher: I get to keep learning too 😊



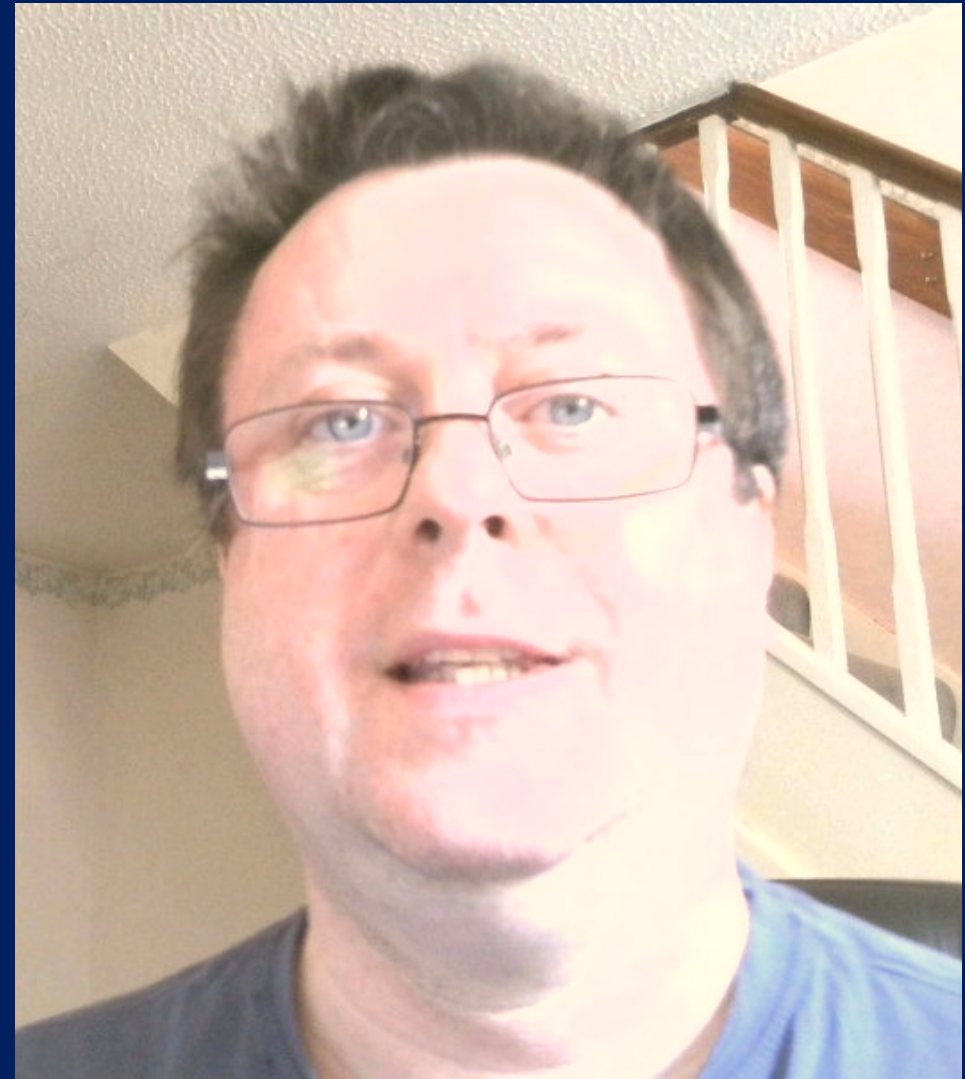
Mr Haines – English Teacher and Head of Media Studies

Favourite book: *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* by Arthur Conan Doyle

Favourite film: The Lord of the Rings

Fun fact: I am qualified to care for horses

Why I love being a teacher: The best thing for me is when I learn something from students!



Mr Buckle – English Teacher

Favourite book: *Jude the Obscure* by Thomas Hardy. Don't try to read it. It's far too depressing.

Favourite film: *The Godfather* (Parts 1, 2 and 3.)

Fun fact: I once got thrown out of the Houses of Parliament.

Why I love being a teacher: You never get bored. You lot are far too interesting.



Miss Mackay – English Teacher

Favourite book:

A View From The Bridge – Arthur Miller

Favourite film:

Titanic or Shrek 2 (couldn't pick!)

Fun fact:

I like travelling the world and doing crazy things! See the picture for an example!

Why I love being a teacher: I like getting to know each student and being there to support them. Every day is different and kids can be really funny!



Miss Gray – English Teacher

Favourite book:

Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman

Favourite film:

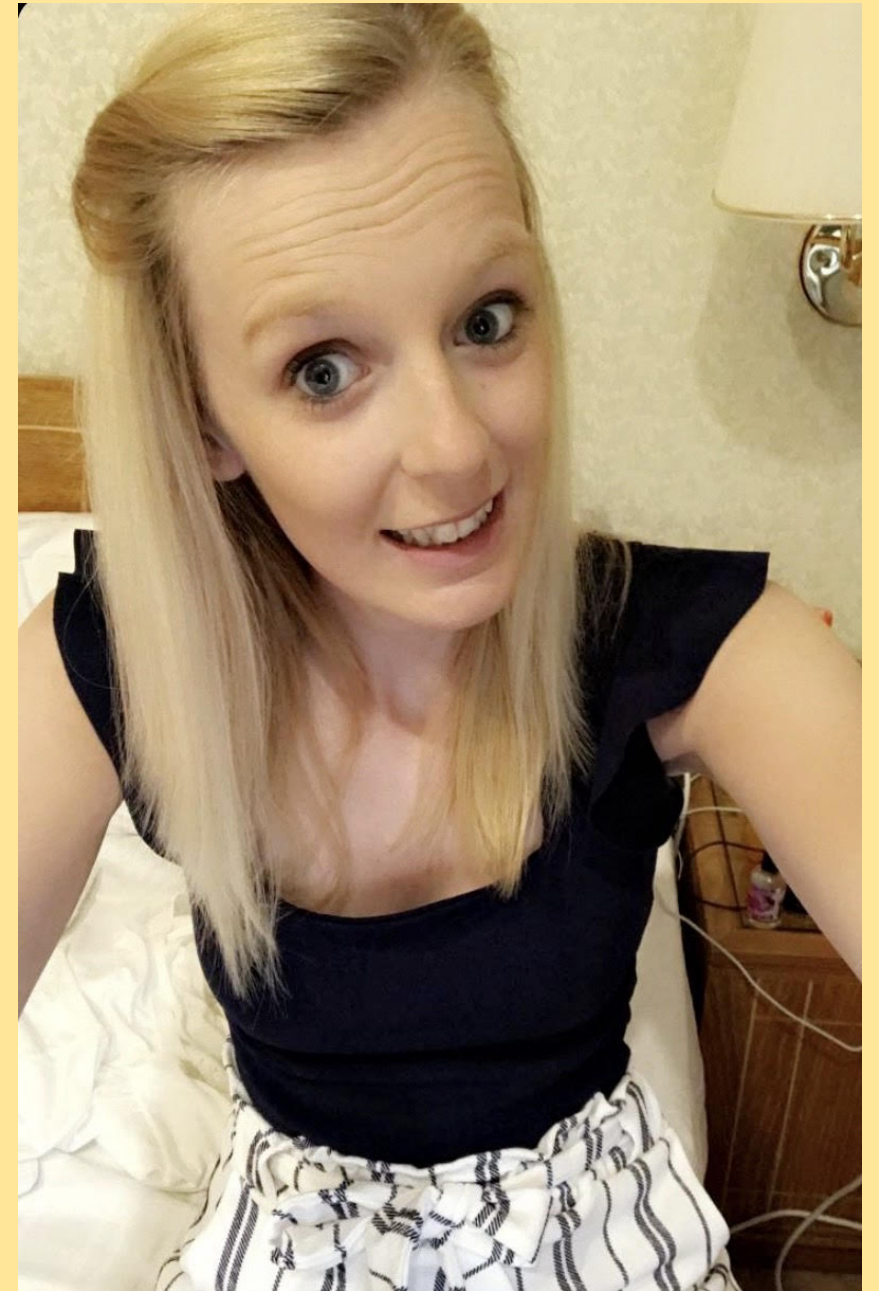
The modern Star Trek trilogy (I can't pick one)

Fun fact:

In my spare time I love to bake.

Why I love being a teacher:

I love the fact that every day is different and that I get to share my love of English with so many people!



Mrs Jones– English Teacher

Favourite book: *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte.

Favourite film: *Lost Boys*

Fun fact: I'm obsessed with 90's hip-hop and Beyoncé

Why I love being a teacher: I laugh every single day! Every day is different and I love to see the moment a student 'gets it'.



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English Faculty

Your first English Topic

Thinking question: What is a God?



Why am I doing this?
It is where stories came from!
Literature is rich with references to Greek Mythology-this will help you when studying Literature in the future and just your general knowledge of an important part of cultural history.

Greek Gods

Aim: to learn and understand the different Gods and Goddesses

Challenge: to understand the term 'allusion' and apply it.

Discuss the concept of 'beauty' and its meaning in the 21st century

Adonis and Aphrodite

Aim: *Understand the myth of Adonis and Aphrodite

*Develop ambitious vocabulary

We will be looking at how Ancient Greek Tales were put together, learning how to analyse the way language was used. We will then use that new knowledge to write our own creative story.

What will we learn in year 7 English?

We are going to learn so much!!

- Language analysis
- Structure analysis
- Persuasive writing
- Creative writing
- Grammar
- Poetry
- Oliver Twist
- Reading skills
- Library lessons
- Accelerated reader