**ENGLISH ADVANCED HIGHER**

**CONTENT**

The Advanced Higher English Course aims to develop the ability of young people to use and understand a great variety of sophisticated language impressively and with confidence. Particular emphasis is placed on the independent ability to demonstrate detailed critical awareness of texts. The course is broadly similar in structure to the N5 and Higher Courses and includes the following mandatory Units and Assessments.

**INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS**

**Unit 1: Creation and Production**

Learners develop the ability to use language creatively for a variety of purposes and in a variety of forms. Pupils must produce complex and sophisticated written texts in a range of different genres.

**Unit 2: Analysis and Evaluation of Literary Texts**

Through the study of a range of complex and sophisticated texts in different literary genres and through research into an aspect or aspects of literature, learners develop the skill of responding critically to complex and sophisticated literary texts using appropriate critical terminology. Pupils must critically analyse and evaluate complex and sophisticated literary texts in depth. Pupils must undertake research into an aspect or aspects of literature.

**EXTERNAL ASSESSMENTS**

**FOLIO**: (60% of the total mark). Candidates will produce a portfolio comprising three pieces: one dissertation (30 marks) and two pieces of writing from a choice of genres (30 marks).

**EXAM**: (40% of the total mark). There are two papers for the Advanced Higher course. Each paper will last 1 hour 30 minutes.

**Paper 1**: Literary study. There will be a choice of questions from the genres of Drama, Prose fiction, Prose non-fiction and Poetry (20 marks). Pupils will have studied a choice of texts in advance. Candidates will select one question.

**Paper 2**: Textual analysis. There will be a choice of questions from the genres of Drama, Prose fiction, Prose non-fiction and Poetry. Candidates will select one question (20 marks)

**HOMEWORK**

A considerable amount of independent study is required at Advanced Higher: pupils will be required to read, research and take notes as well as to produce written critical and creative texts.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Students who achieve A-C in Higher English will qualify for Advanced Higher English. However, it is recommended that students seek the advice of their Higher English teacher.