



ENGLISH AND DRAMA

Welcome to the English and Drama Super Curriculum. Below you'll find a whole host of things to do to stretch yourself beyond the classroom curriculum.

In November, we raise awareness for Children in Need and celebrate Universal Children's Day on 20th. In English, then, we are celebrating the work of some amazing young writers and performers, who will hopefully inspire you to realise you can do it too!

November is also a time we remember those who have sacrificed themselves for us. In Drama, we are celebrating Remembrance Day, and fallen soldiers.

READ

English: Follow the link below to read winning entries from the Young Writer's 'Unsolved' competition:

<https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/winners/KS3-4/unsolved>

Young Writers host competitions throughout the year, so keep an eye out for further opportunities!

Drama: Please follow the link below to read letters written during WW1:

<https://www.iwm.org.uk/history/letters-to-loved-ones>

Letters were the main form of communication between those at war and those at home. Consider what you would write to loved ones, and how receiving these letters must have felt at the time.

LISTEN

English: Follow the link below to listen to a podcast interview with young best-selling author Jake Marcionette:

<https://worth-noting.simplecast.com/episodes/jake-marcionette>

Jake published his best-selling children's book series 'Just Jake' when he was just 13!

Drama: Follow the link below to listen to the performers and director of 'The Trojans' talk about the therapeutic nature of Drama and Theatre on Syrian refugees:

<https://youtu.be/oAN6zfiM1SU>

Drama and Theatre has been used as therapy for those suffering from PTSD.

WATCH

English: Follow the link below to watch Solli Raphael perform a spoken word poem after becoming the youngest winner of the Australian Poetry Slam at 12 years old:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B3C-DO9FyEo>

Now 16, Solli is a globally renowned poet and keynote speaker. Additionally (and passionately), Solli is an environmental activist and humanitarian who works closely as an ambassador for four charities and organisations.

Drama: Follow the link below to watch the puppet 'Joey' from War Horse in action and an explanation of how the puppeteers work:

<https://youtu.be/qqbWEonptVo>

War Horse is an adaptation of the novel by Michael Morpurgo. The story follows Albert Narracott and his horse Joey from working the fields in Devon, to the fields of war during WW1.

DO

English: Write a short piece of creative writing about a time you felt confident. This might take the form of a poem, a diary entry, or a short story.

Drama: Make a puppet from items you find around your home, consider shadow puppetry to create a piece of theatre based on war OR use a letter from the 'Read' section to rehearse and perform a dramatic reading/performance.