PREPARING TO BE AN ENGLISH STUDENT @ ST. PAUL’S ACADEMY



The English department at St Paul’s Academy are excited to learn a little bit about your life and your experience of reading before you join us in September. The following tasks will give you a chance to show off your writing skills and give you some ideas for reading over the summer holiday.

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| Books | **Keep reading as much as you can over the summer. Reading is the most important way you can prepare for secondary school in September. We have recommended some great reads below.**If you are a member of your local library, you can borrow e-books and audio books via these websites or you can sign up for free if you haven’t joined yet:Greenwich:<https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/info/200231/libraries/1575/borrow_renew_and_%20reserve_books_ebooks_audiobooks_dvds_and_music>Lewisham: <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/libraries/elibrary>To read Kindle e-books you don’t need a Kindle. All that you need is an account with Amazon.co.uk (Visit amazon.co.uk and click sign in and new customer). You can then download the Kindle App for free to use on a PC, a Mac, an iPhone, an iPad, or an Android-based phone or tablet. Once you have this App, you can download Kindle books to read on whatever devices you have available. Book Review: “Children of Blood and Bone” - Nubian Message The Girl of Ink and Stars C:\Users\hendersona\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.MSO\88DAF523.tmp Inside Out & Back Again: Amazon.co.uk: Lai, Thanhha: Books Booked |

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| Hobby, note, paper, pen, writer, writing icon | **Choose 2 of the following writing tasks to complete:**1. Write a powerful speech on something you feel passionate about. It might be a local issue, something global or a topic relevant to only you.
2. Write a letter or postcard to your new English teacher telling them about a novel, story or series you loved in Year 6. What did you learn from the story and which character did you enjoy meeting?
3. Write your own autobiography. You might include: • When and where you were born • Important events in your life and how they made you into the person you are now • Things you would have done differently, if you had the chance • What your hopes are for the future.
4. Write a reply to the letter from current Year 7 students to Year 6 students that is on the SPA website. Use this as an opportunity to introduce yourself and ask any questions that you might have about starting at St.Paul’s in September.

**Email your work to Miss Duffy at** **carol.duffy@stpauls.greenwich.sch.uk**, **post it back to us along with your ‘Helpful Hand’ or bring handwritten work with you in September.** |

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 **Click below to visit some websites that will help you to prepare for English in Year 7**

How to investigate language in non-fiction texts

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfwpd6f/articles/z4d4xyc>

 How to investigate language in fiction texts

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfdh8xs/articles/z6w4xyc>

How to memorise tricky spellings

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbmv2sg/articles/zjxqf4j>