



With best wishes to all our readers for a safe, sunny and happy summer holiday. We look forward to seeing all of your children back in the new school year.

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Headteacher

<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	<b>Monday 2 September – Friday 20 December</b>
INSET Day	Monday 2 September (School closed for students)
INSET Day	Tuesday 3 September (School closed for students) – external Year 12 sign on afternoon, Year 12 Cricket Scholar Induction (1.00pm-3.30pm)
Start of Term	Wednesday 4 September – Year 7 return & Year 12 sign on day Thursday 5 September – Years 8-11 return, 8.30am, Year 13 sign on day Monday 9 September – all Sixth Form students return

<b>Notices</b>	
<b>Whole School</b>	<p>⇒ <b>Learning Partners Trust Bulletin</b> Please <a href="#">click here</a> to view.</p> <p>⇒ <b>THANK YOU - The GA Pre-Loved Clothes Sale</b> Thank you to all of the George Abbot families, students and staff for supporting us in promoting a circular economy through the return of revision guides, musical instruments and your incredibly generous donations of preloved clothes. Our Pre-Loved Clothes sale this year raised a huge £800.70 for some ambitious outdoor sustainability projects to be developed from September. We have passed on the remaining clothes to various charitable organisations. We will let you know when we start collecting again for our next sale.</p> <p>⇒ <b>Online Safety Webinars</b> Please find below links for online safety webinars (from Surrey Police) for parents that are running over the summer holidays: <i>Learn how to protect your children from online threats so they can grow into the digital age with confidence and safety. This presentation is delivered by Cyber Protect Officers and is not needlessly technical. It covers immediate threats as well as topics you can discuss with your children. These presentations have received over 1000 positive reviews since April 2024.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spotting malicious emails and scams</li><li>• Disinformation on the internet</li><li>• Parental Control settings</li><li>• Dangers of "E-Celebrities" and "Influencers"</li><li>• Keeping your children safe from harmful websites</li><li>• Sextortion</li><li>• Social Media security and privacy settings</li><li>• Digital Footprints and the risks of AI</li><li>• General Online Safety advice</li><li>• Digital Stalking, Air Tags and Smart Tracking</li><li>• Cyber Choices (preventing your child from committing Computer Misuse Offences)</li></ul> <p><a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/online-safety-for-parents-3386699">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/online-safety-for-parents-3386699</a></p> <p>In addition, there are webinars, a variety of other topics are covered including 'online safety for girls', 'dangers of AI', 'cyber choices' <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/south-east-cyber-77121396093#collections">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/south-east-cyber-77121396093#collections</a></p>

## Year 12

### ⇒ Current Year 12 English Literature students going into Year 13—Purchase of 'The Great Gatsby' and 'Othello' texts

In September students will be starting 'The Great Gatsby' and 'Othello'. Please ensure your child has bought a copy of both ready for their first lessons. We strongly recommend getting the version that they will have in their actual A-Level exam for 'The Great Gatsby' so that they are familiar with where things are. The versions we recommend are:

'The Great Gatsby' by F. Scott Fitzgerald, published by Wordsworth Classics. ISBN: 978-1853260414

'Othello' by William Shakespeare, published by Oxford School Shakespeare. ISBN: 978-0198328735

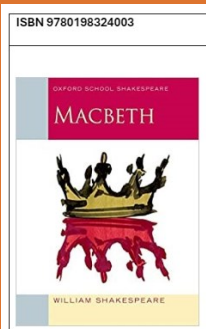
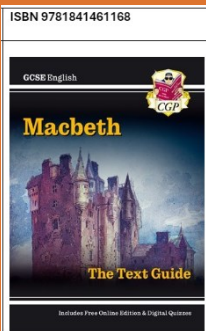
Any questions please email [eshort@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:eshort@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk)

## Year 10

### ⇒ Current Year 10 going into Year 11—Purchase of Macbeth Text and Study Guide

Next academic year, Year 11 students will be studying the Shakespeare play 'Macbeth'. The teaching of this text begins immediately in September 2024. This text is an integral part of the GCSE examination and students are strongly encouraged to have their own copy so that they can annotate and use again for revision in the summer of 2025. In addition to the play 'Macbeth' there is a CGP Study Guide available as an optional extra - this is highly recommended by English teachers. Both the text and guide are available for purchase via various booksellers - please use the ISBN numbers shown below. We advise that these are purchased by 1 September at the latest so that students can bring them into school at the start of term.

Students in receipt of Pupil Premium will receive their text and guide free of charge. If a student already has their own copy (perhaps previously owned by a sibling, relative or friend), then this too will be acceptable. Any queries please email [cbatcheler@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:cbatcheler@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk)

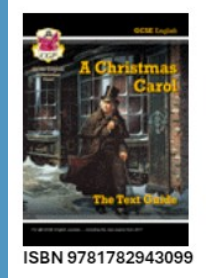


## Year 9

### ⇒ Current Year 9 going into Year 10—Purchase of A Christmas Carol Text and Study Guide

Next academic year, Year 10 students will be studying 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens. The teaching of this text begins immediately in September 2024. This text is an integral part of the GCSE examination and students are strongly encouraged to have their own copy so that they can annotate and use again for revision in the summer of 2026. In addition to the novella 'A Christmas Carol' there is a CGP Study Guide available as an optional extra - this is highly recommended by English teachers. Both the text and guide are available for purchase via various booksellers - please use the ISBN numbers shown below. We advise that these are purchased by 1 September at the latest so that students can bring them into school at the start of term.

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