



English Department

At St James', the English department inspires a love of Language, Literature and communication by engaging students in meaningful and creative experiences. Through Reading, Writing and Viewing and critical thinking, we want to empower students to explore diverse voices and perspectives.



Mission Statement and Goals

Mission

To provide a program that:

- To encourage students to be critical and creative thinkers.
- Links texts with the outside world for more engagement and understanding.
- Provides additional experiences for students who show interest in reading and writing through our 'Quill & Compass' program.



Department Goals



Foster Critical and Creative Thinking

Students develop the ability to question, analyse, imagine and explore



Confident and Skilled Communicators

Students develop strong literacy and communication skills that empower them in future study or the work place.



Engaged and Inspired Learners

Students actively participate in English finding joy and curiosity in exploring language and learning.



At its heart, English is about discovery - discovering stories, ideas, perspectives and often yourself. The joy of English lies in those moments when a text suddenly feels personal, powerful and profoundly human.

Sacha Burbridge
Head of English



Future Pathways

Arts and humanities degrees
Journalism and media studies
Law and legal studies
Communications and public relations
Teaching and education
Publishing and editing
Literature