

## S3 English Exam

All S3 pupils will sit a series of CLASS EXAMS after the Easter Break. It is important that you know:

- what exams you will sit
- what is expected of you in each exam
- what studying you will have to do at home in order to do well

### The S3 English Exam

#### **RUAE Paper:** Reading for Understanding, Analysis and Evaluation

- ✓ 1 hour (over 2 periods)
- ✓ 30 marks worth
- ✓ Skills
  - UNDERSTANDING what has been written= WHAT?
  - Ability to use your own words to answer when asked
  - Ability to summarise key points
  - Ability to ANALYSE = HOW the writer has created an effect=HOW?
  - Ability to EVALUATE = HOW WELL the article has been written?

#### **CRITICAL ESSAY**

- ✓ 1 hour over 2 periods
- ✓ 20 marks worth
- ✓ Skills
  - Ability to show you have UNDERSTOOD a text (a film, a book, a poem, a play, a short story...)
  - Ability to ANALYSE how well it was written by using quotes and relevant technical terms
  - Ability to EVALUATE the text by saying what you liked about it