

Dear Student,

Over the summer break we would like you to undertake an English task, the result of which you will bring to show your English teacher in your first week in September.

The first unit we will begin with is a challenging and exciting insight into *Storytelling Across Time*, so the task links in with this work and will enable you to hit the ground running!

English Summer Task:

Become a Literary Time-Traveller



We would like you to research story telling through time by looking at these time periods:

- 1. Late Tudor/Early Jacobean (mid- to late 16th early 17th Century)
- 2. Georgian/Regency (late 18th and early 19th Century)
- 3. Victorian (mid-late 19th Century)
- 4. Writers/stories you've enjoyed recently!

For each time period we simply want to know:

What are the most famous stories (myths/tales/novels/poems/plays) and (if known) storytellers/writers from these periods?

How should you share your research with us?

This is the good bit – it's up to you! Choose any of the three options to share your research with us:

- Present it as a timeline with pictures and drawings to show your findings you can draw this or do it on a computer.
- In a Word Document style factsheet, with your research presented under the headings provided above.
- A 'literary time traveller' story in which you travel to these moments in time and include your research within it.

The best responses will be put on display!

Like to read for pleasure? Here are our summer suggestions!

Twelve Minutes to Midnight Christopher Edge

The Owl Service Alan Garner

Wonder R J Palacio

Anne of Green Gables L M Montgomery

Pig Heart Boy Malorie Blackman

The Village by the Sea Anita Desai

The Girl who Stole an Elephant Nizrana Farook

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

The Fort Pitt English Department