**YEAR 9 ENGLISH**  
**TERM 1 2016**

Below is a guideline for English this term. Homework will be due on Mondays each week. Tutorials will be available in the 5-8 on Wednesdays and Fridays, if you need assistance with completing your homework. Please ensure that you check what unit is due each week because it is not sequential. The items that are highlighted in **yellow are key assessment items** that will be used to inform your written reports. You will receive assessment criteria for these tasks in addition to the information given below.

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| **Week 2** | **Expectations and discussion about the holidays.**  
Baseline writing assessment  
Summer Holidays | Of Mice and Men  
Discussion and research about 1940’s USA and the depression. | Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 24 - Writing summaries**  
Pg 152- 157  
**Due 8th Feb** |
| **Week 3** | **Summer Holiday VCOP editing and goal setting.**  
Spelling Pre-test | Watch the first half of the film “Of Mice and Men” | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 22 - Reading visual texts (film)**  
Pg. 141- 146  
**Due 15th Feb** |
| **Week 4** | **Big Write- Narrative set during the depression. Hopes and Hardships.** | Reading “Of Mice and Men”  
Chapter 1 & 2  
Chapter comprehension questions | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 1 - Parts of Speech**  
Pg 2-7  
**Due 22nd Feb** |
| **Week 5** | **On Demand** | Reading “Of Mice and Men”  
Chapter 3 & 4  
Chapter comprehension questions | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 35 - Proof Reading**  
Pg. 209- 214  
**Due 29th March** |
| **Week 6** | **VCOP editing and goal setting.**  
Punctuation Focus- semi-colon and ellipse | Reading “Of Mice and Men”  
Chapter 5 & 6  
Chapter comprehension questions | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 15 - Reading information texts**  
Pg 89-96  
**Due 7th March** |
| **Week 7** | **Cold Write Assessment** | Finish watching the Film – Of Mice and Men | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 16 - reading information texts**  
Pg 97-103  
**Due 14th March** |
| **Week 8** | **Labour Day Holiday** | Victim blaming. What is victim blaming? What examples can you think of that have occurred in recent events in the media. | Homework  
Spelling/Grammar study  
Library | **Unit 19 – Reading visual texts**  
Pg. 120-127  
**Due 21st March** |
| **Week 9** | **Big write- Write a persuasive oral presentation based on your opinion about the issue. You will need to support your opinion with evidence. You will be presenting this to your peers.** | Oral Presentations and peer assessment | Homework  
Spelling- Post-Test  
Library | **Unit 20 - Reading visual texts**  
Pg. 128-136  
**Due 11th April** |