

Varsity College Year 7 English - Semester 1, 2023

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	23-27 January Australia Day PH - Thurs	Introduce creative writing/short story unit	
2	30 Jan – 3 Feb Swimming Carnival - Mon	Explore character development / Investigate context/plot	
3	6-10 February	Compare and contrast sizzling starts / Investigate backfilling	
4	13-17 February	 Explore tightening tension / define and investigate imagery and figurative language to tighten tension 	
5	20-24 February	 Explore exciting endings and conflict resolutions/use marking guides to evaluate short stories 	
6	27 Feb – 3 Mar	Plan short story and confer with teacher	
7	6-10 March GIPSA - Wednesday	• Write, edit and submit short story draft - 'The Gift'	Draft Due L3
8	13-17 March NAPLAN 15-17 March	 Reflect on and comprehend feedback / Set writing goals and apply feedback to improve short story 	
9	20-24 March NAPLAN 20 March	 Submit final copy of short story – 'The Gift' Introduce persuasive unit- 'Inspirational speeches and the people who make them' 	Final Due L3
10	27-31 March Cross Country - Thurs	Inspirational speeches - audience	
	S	chool Holidays: Saturday April 1 – Sunday April 16	
1	17-21 April	Persuasive text structure	
2	24-28 April ANZAC Day PH - Tues	 Text structure and language- cohesion, vocabulary, affect and judgement, extended metaphors and figurative language 	
3	1-5 May Labour Day PH - Monday GIPSA - Wednesday	 Text structure and language (spoken/ multimodal texts)- cohesion, vocabulary, affect and judgement, extended metaphors and figurative language 	
4	8-12 May	 Text structure and language (spoken/multimodal texts)- cohesion, vocabulary, affect and judgement, extended metaphors and figurative language. 	
5	15-19 May GIPSA - Wednesday	Assessment overview, researching, planning and drafting	
6	22-26 May GIPSA - Wednesday	Assessment- drafting and conferencing	Draft L1
7	29 May – 2 June	 Feedback, editing and speech preparation Speech delivery 	Final script due L3
8	5-9 June GIPSA - Wednesday	Speech delivery	Presentations begin L1
9	12-16 June	Literacy skill building and formative feedback tasks	
10	19-23 June	Camp Week	
	S	chool Holidays: Saturday June 24 – Sunday July 9	