Year 9 Homework Schedule

A Christmas Carol Unit

Week 1 – Writing to inform

Using the learning from your lessons and your own research, write a short biography of Charles Dickens for a school magazine.

Include the information that you think will be most interesting to your readers.

Week 2 - Research

In Victorian times, what were:

a) The Poor Law
b) The Workhouse
c) The Treadmill

Your notes must be neatly presented and <u>in your own words</u>.

Week 3 - Revision

Complete the Doddle quiz on Stave 1 of A Christmas Carol – use the revision guide if you need to.

Week 4 – Writing to advise

Imagine you are acting as a guide for a Victorian time-traveller.

Create your own **guide to modern etiquette** to help them adapt. Explain what they need to do, and not to do, to fit in around school.

Week 5 - Revision

Complete the Doddle quiz on Stave 2 of A Christmas Carol – use the revision guide if you need to.

Week 6 – Writing in voice

Write a diary entry from Bob Cratchit's perspective. You should cover two days – Christmas Eve (when he speaks to Scrooge) and Christmas Day (when he has dinner with his family).

Your diary should explore Bob's thoughts and feelings about the other characters, especially Tiny Tim and Scrooge.

Week 7 - Revision

Complete the Doddle quiz on Stave 3 of A Christmas Carol – use the revision guide if you need to.

Week 8 – Writing to Inform

Write Scrooge's obituary for the London Times.

An obituary is an article in a newspaper or magazine that looks back on the life of someone who has recently died.

It describes their achievements and reputation, including quotes from people who knew them.

Week 9 - Revision

Complete the Doddle quiz on **Stave 4** of A Christmas Carol – use the revision guide if you need to.

Week 10 – Research and Context

Watch: 'Dickens and The Invention of Christmas' part 1 on Youtube.

Make clear notes summarising how Dickens has influenced the way we celebrate Christmas today.

Week 11 - Revision

Complete the Doddle quiz on **Stave 5** of A Christmas Carol – use the revision guide if you need to.