Year 7 English – what have we covered?

1. Contextual information about Ancient Greek myths:
	* Why did they write myths?
	* How were myths told and handed down?
	* What is an ‘epic’ poem?
	* Who was Homer and what did he write?
	* What elements did myths often involve? (xenia (hospitality), aristeia (heroism), moira (fate), philotimia (honour)
2. A range of Greek myths. Some of the most important:
	* Prometheus
	* Pandora’s Box
	* Theseus and the Minotaur
	* The Battle of Troy
	* The Odyssey
3. Identifying and being able to use a range of techniques:
	* Similes
	* Metaphors
	* Personification
	* Sibilance
	* Imagery
	* Pathetic fallacy
4. Understanding how to write a What? How? Why? paragraph.
5. Literacy:
	* Embedded clauses
	* Semi-colons
	* Word classes (adjectives, nouns, verbs, adverbs, prepositions)

**The baseline test in September will cover a selection of the above areas. You will be asked to look at a brief extract and answer some questions and complete some grammar tasks.**