All you need is love. Or is it?

The Year 9 English Curriculum is organised around the unifying theme of Love. Through reading, writing, viewing, speaking, listening to and creating a range of texts, students explore how the notion of love, and different types of love, is represented in a range of texts. From Shakespeare’s tragic love story *Romeo and Juliet* to a contemporary Australian novel and film, we explore how love can be a powerful theme in different texts. The course is four units taught over four terms and is aligned with the Australian Curriculum. Students will be assessed on the English strands of Language, Literature and Literacy.

The course begins with an integrated unit based on biographical writing. This unit introduces key concepts and essential questions. The course explores a range of print, visual and multimodal texts building on the skills, knowledge and understandings. Units include:

- Shakespeare’s *Romeo and Juliet*
- Film study – *One Night the Moon* (2001)