**Discussion ideas for …**

**William Wallace and All That by Allan Burnett**

* In chapters 2- 4, we are given a summary of Edward Longshanks’ treatment of the people of Scotland. Do you think he treated them fairly? Do you have enough information to make a decision on this?
* To the English, William Wallace was an outlaw, a rebel and a traitor. However, he was a freedom fighter to the Scots. Whatever your opinion is of Wallace, why do you think he acted the way he did?
* “They would rather die as free Scots, than live as English slaves” (page 47) is a quote from the book. Chapter 11 is called “Freedom”, but what do you think the Scots were fighting for? Also, you need to consider that everyone had a different idea of freedom. Think about the nobles and what Longshanks was trying to achieve when you are discussing this question.
* How do you think Scotland’s relationship has developed with England over the years?
* Do you think Wallace acted rightly or wrongly after he won the Battle of Stirling Bridge? Think about the historical information from chapter 11 onwards to discuss this question.