

DRAMA

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COURSE CONTENT

What will I learn about?

Genres of Drama

You will explore several exciting genres of theatre through improvisation and script work.



Page to Stage

You will have the opportunity to study a full-length play as a whole class, while exploring its plot, characters, themes and issues. You will then perform extracts of this play.

Production Skills

Theatre is nothing without a skilled production team. You will explore how to practically apply lighting, sound, costume, make-up and props to a scripted drama performance.



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Responding to Stimuli

Following the drama process for performance, you will have the opportunity to create, rehearse and present your own drama in response to a topical stimulus.



Performance Analysis

Theatre is the life blood of our subject. You learn how to watch and critically analyse a live theatrical performance. Discover how gripping dramas and spectacular musicals are put together, before discussing and reviewing them.

Media Production

Within Drama, you will be able to use your iPad to create digital content for performances. From TV acting to adverts, learning about media production will take your performance work to the next level.



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TEACHING METHODS

How will I learn?



Drama is a highly practical subject. Much of your learning will take the form of practical group work, allowing you to create, rehearse, present and evaluate performances. You can expect a lot of script reading and line learning, there will also be opportunities to create play-scripts, models, presentations and debates. Your drama teacher will always make sure your learning is both fun and engaging.

BENEFITS OF STUDYING DRAMA

What skills will I develop?

Drama is both an enjoyable and challenging course. You will be expected to exercise your imagination on a regular basis. While studying drama, you will also develop other important life skills such as:

Emotional intelligence
Communication
Critical Thinking
Presentation

Confidence
Creativity
Collaboration & Teamwork
Resilience

All of these skills are important for life, learning and work.

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ASSESSMENT

How will I be assessed?

Assessment in Drama will many forms, including:

Vocabulary Assessments
Performance Assessments
Teacher Observation

Production Skills Projects
Peer Evaluation
Presentation Assessments

HOMEWORK

What can I expect?

Homework is an important part of the course and will be issued on a regular basis to enhance and consolidate upon your classwork. Homework may take the form of topical research, script reading, script writing, designing, evaluating, essay writing, and line learning.

COSTS

We aim to allow students to take at least one theatre trip during their course. This will incur costs for tickets and possibly transport (depending on the venue). Financial support may be available if required.

