KS3 DRAMA – Curriculum Intent

Throughout KS3, pupils' knowledge and understanding will develop in the nine key areas below. Pupils will follow a spiral curriculum and learning pathway that prepares them fully for the study of GCSE Drama at KS4 and the demands of examination specifications. The learning processes are systemic throughout KS3, KS4 and KS5.

The curriculum will enable students to:

- Apply knowledge and understanding when Making, Performing and Responding to drama;
- Explore Performance Texts, understanding how they can be interpreted in performance;
- Understand Social, Cultural, Historical and Political Contexts, including the Theatrical Conventions of the period in which texts were created;
- Understand and develop the roles and responsibilities of Performer, Designer and Director;
- Develop an understanding of different **Performance Styles** and a range of **Theatrical Skills** and apply them to create **Devised** performances or **Interpretation of Texts**;
- Work Collaboratively to generate, develop and communicate ideas;
- Develop as creative, independent students able to make informed choices in **Process** and **Performance**;
- Analyse and Evaluate their own work and that of others, including the evaluation of professional live theatre;
- Adopt Safe Working Practices.

YEAR 7	Throughout Year 7, pupils are introduced to a range of dramatic forms and conventions. Emphasis is placed on using the drama process to develop performance skills, theatre design knowledge, life skills and character virtues.				
TOPIC	OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT	KEY CONCEPTS / SKILLS	KEY TERMINOLOGY	
Introduction to Drama Conventions The state of the state	To develop group work skills: Explore the character virtues of Kindness, Respect and Teamwork: Collaborative rehearsal and performance work Develop working relationships with peers in small group work Explore feelings and emotions of imaginary characters within fictitious scenarios; develop empathy. To develop knowledge and understanding of Drama conventions: Drama games / Trust Physical and vocal work Mime and still image Soundscapes Improvisation Characterisation Collaborative group performance to audience Development of character virtues - Courage and Pride To develop skills of analysis and evaluation: Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work	Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives. Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 1. This will focus on — a) 'As a performer' style questions b) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists c) Target setting All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.	Respect and kindness for effective group work and collaboration; Introduction to drama skills and conventions; Making, Performing and Evaluating drama: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.	Teamwork Cooperation Trust Physical and Vocal work Mime Facial Expression Gesture Still Image Soundscapes Improvisation Characterisation Courage Pride Performance Awareness of audience Analysis Evaluation	

Improvisation



To develop and refine group work skills:

Explore the character virtues of respect, kindness, positivity and teamwork; also develop communication, compromise, empathy and confidence

To develop skills for devising and improvisation:

- Create characterisations and imaginative, original dialogue
- Focus on themes of Family,
 School and Relationships and within fictitious scenarios
- Explore feelings, emotions and moral decisions of characters
- Use an increasing number of Drama conventions to create dramatic meaning
- Focus on structure, sequencing of scenes and plot within improvisations

To develop acting skills for performance:

- Physical and vocal performance skills
- Lighting and sound skills
- Courage and Pride for performance to an audience

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term

- 2. This will focus on
 - a) 'As a performer' style questions
 - b) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
 - c) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.

Courage and positivity for **performance**;

Vocal and physical skills for **devised improvisation**;

Building imaginative, fictional characters;

Practical application of **theatre design** elements;

Making, Performing and Evaluating drama: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Teamwork

Improvisation Characterisation Role play Thought Tracking Still Image Vocal skills Physical skills

Lighting Staging

Courage
Pride
Performance
Awareness of audience

Analysis Evaluation

Murder Mystery Genre



To develop group rehearsal work and performance skills:

Explore the character virtues of respect, positivity, teamwork and leadership through collaborative work

To develop knowledge and understanding of contextual issues and themes:

Exploration of fictitious characters, focusing on the themes of Victorian England, Wealth, Poverty, Crime, Gender Issues, Education, & Moral Values

To develop knowledge and understanding of the Murder Mystery genre:

- Key characters victim, detective, murderer, suspects
- Techniques clues, redherrings, twists
- Development of structured plot within fictitious scenario

To develop acting skills for performance:

- ➤ In-depth characterisation
- Physical and vocal performance skills
- Lighting, sound, costume and props to communicate dramatic meaning and context
- Courage in performance

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term

- 3. This will focus on -
 - a) Descriptive writing development of the fictional scenario
 - b) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
 - c) Target setting

Written analysis and evaluation

will take place at the end of Term 4. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) Group work skills
- c) Structuring of devised work
- d) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
- e) Target setting

Leadership roles and positivity within teamwork;

Contextual issues: social, political, historical context of Victorian England;

Murder Mystery genre and conventions;

Character development and refinement of vocal and physical skills **for structured improvisation**;

Making, Performing and Evaluating drama:

understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

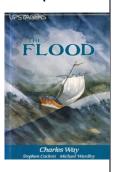
Leadership Positivity Teamwork

Victorian England Wealth & Poverty Moral Dilemma

Improvisation
Characterisation
Role play
Teacher-in-role
Hot Seating
Thought Tracking
Still Image
Vocal skills
Physical skills
Storyboard

Lighting Music Staging Props as symbols

The Flood – Play Text Exploration



To develop collaborative rehearsal and performance skills:

- Explore the character virtues of respect, positivity, teamwork and leadership
- Understand the performers' relationship with the audience

To develop knowledge and understanding of contextual issues and themes:

- Exploration of moral, spiritual and ethical issues, focusing on themes of Dreams, Wealth, Moral Values
- Explore character virtues of kindness and courage and apply these to characters' feelings, emotions and moral decision making

To develop knowledge and understanding of performance styles:

- Realism truth in performance
- Expressionism exaggerated physicality
- Lighting and sound to create mood and atmosphere and enhance dramatic meaning
- Chorus work and body prop

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 5. This will focus on –

- Descriptive writing development of the fictional scenario
- b) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
- c) Target setting

Written analysis and evaluation

will take place at the end of Term 6. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
- d) Target setting

Directorial roles – developing leadership, courage and positivity;

Contextual issues: moral, spiritual and ethical issues within the play;

Moving from page to stage: understanding how drama elements combine to create dramatic meaning;

Building characterisations and relationships through vocal and physical performance skills;

Practical application of **theatre design:** lighting, sound, costume, set, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating drama: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Leadership Respect Positivity Teamwork

Moving from Page to Stage Realism – creating truth Expressionism Exaggerated physicality Body prop Stage Directions

Characterisation Role of the Chorus Role play Hot Seating Thought Tracking Still Image Vocal skills Physical skills

Lighting
Sound
Staging
Costume
Props as symbols

Poetry through Drama



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jolitanto bambla o talli bambli orossiga mpfa habla horem égiga goramen higo blokho russula huju hollaka hollala anlogo bung blago bung blago bung bosso fataka u u u schampa wulla wussa ólobo hej tatta görem eschige zunbada ulumba sbaudu ulumba ba- umf kusagauma ba - umf

To develop collaborative rehearsal and performance skills:

- Leadership and teamwork to delegate and organise roles within group work
- Kindness though active listening and tolerance of different perspectives

To develop skills for devising and interpretation of poems:

- Explore poems with passion and courage to express the words with meaning and creativity
- Explore rhyme, rhythm, chorus speech, unison speech, canon, narration and onomatopoeia
- Interpret and shape poems creatively using drama skills

To develop acting skills for performance:

- Vocal performance skills using the voice as an instrument
- Use of stage space and lighting to communicate dramatic meaning and context
- Courage in performance

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 6. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklists
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.

Leadership roles and positivity within teamwork;

Moving from page to stage: exploring poetry through drama;

Using physical / vocal performance techniques and drama conventions to create imaginative performances;

Practical application of **theatre design**: lighting, sound, costume, set, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating drama: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Leadership Teamwork Positivity

Improvisation Characterisation Role play

Narration Chorus Rhyme Rhythm Vocal skills Physical skills

Lighting Music Staging

YEAR 8	Throughout Year 8, pupils develop their knowledge and understanding of different theatrical genres and conventions, through the study of play texts and a variety of topics. Emphasis is placed on devising creative theatre, using the drama process to develop performance skills, theatre design knowledge and character virtues.			
TOPIC	OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT	KEY CONCEPTS / SKILLS	KEY TERMINOLOGY
"To be, or not to be, that is the question"	To develop group rehearsal work and performance skills: Explore the character virtues of respect, positivity, teamwork and leadership through collaborative work To revised and develop knowledge and understanding of Drama conventions: Building characterisations and dialogue for devised theatre and improvisation Vocal and physical performance skills Staging and use of stage space Key terminology for drama elements To develop skills of analysis and evaluation: Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work	Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives. Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 1. This will focus on — a) 'As a performer' style questions b) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist c) Target setting All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.	Respect, Kindness and Teamwork for effective group work and collaboration; Revision of drama skills and drama conventions; Creating dramatic meaning through the use of theatre design elements - creative staging and stage space; Building characterisations and relationships through vocal and physical performance skills; Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.	Teamwork Respect Kindness Leadership Staging: Proscenium arch, thrust, theatre-in-the-round Use of stage space: Down stage, Centre Stage Upstage, Backstage, Off stage Wings, Front of house Non-verbal communication Gesture, posture, facial expression, proxemics Stock characters Dialogue Role play, Characterisation Improvisation Still images Awareness of audience

Metamorphosis by Steven Berkoff – exploring transformation



"He found himself transformed in his bed into a gigantic insect"

To develop collaborative rehearsal and performance skills:

- Explore the character virtues of respect, positivity, teamwork
- Understand the performers' relationship with each other and the audience

To develop knowledge and understanding of performance style and themes:

- Non-naturalism
- Theatre of the absurd
- Stylised Berkovian 'in yer face' theatre
- Expressive physicality and voice
- Themes of social inequality, transformation, loneliness, violence, responsibility, sacrifice
- Staging, sound and lighting to create mood and atmosphere and dramatic meaning

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of

own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 2. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) Evaluation of Live Theatre style questions
- d) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- e) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.

Leadership roles and positivity within teamwork;

Moving from Page to Stage: exploring the theme of transformation through exaggerated and stylised physicality;

Contextual issues and themes: social inequality, loneliness, violence, burden of responsibility, sacrifice;

Performance style and genre: non-naturalism, theatre of the absurd, expressive physicality;

Building characterisation

through expressive, stylised physicality and voice;

Creating mood and atmosphere through the fusion of theatre design elements - staging, sound and lighting;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

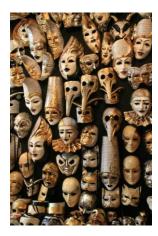
Leadership Positivity Teamwork

Transformation
Expressive physicality
Theatre of the Absurd
Externalisation
Vocal and physical
exaggeration
Mechanical, clockwork style
Physical storytelling
Body prop
Mimage
Monologue

Chorus
Soundscape
Mood and atmosphere
Diegetic and non-diegetic
sound
Box set
Up-lighting
Back-lighting

Awareness of audience

Melodrama and Commedia dell'Arte



Commedia Masks

To develop collaborative rehearsal skills:

Humility, kindness and courage for rehearsal challenges

To develop knowledge and understanding of historical context and genre:

- 19th Century Melodrama, reaction against realism
- > 17th Century Italian improvisational comedy
- Stock characters
- Stock scenarios
- Comedic Lazzi

To develop directorial skills for comic performance style:

- Move from page to stage – interpretation of script
- Structure comic improvisations
- Highly exaggerated physicality and voice suited to comic characterisations
- Lighting, sound, costume and props to enhance comedic value
- Forum theatre to improve work

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Terms 3. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a director' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.

Courage, **teamwork** and positivity for exploration and performance;

Contextual issues:

understanding the 19th Century genre of Melodrama as a reaction against realism; understanding the historical correlation between social class and theatre;

Using conventions of melodrama to create dramatic meaning: improvisation, mime, exaggerated voice and physicality, sound and music;

Understanding the 17th Century genre of Commedia dell'Arte: improvised comedic Lazzi, stock characters, stock scenarios, theatrical pranks;

Exploration of stock characters and scenarios from Commedia genre;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Courage Teamwork Positivity

Melodrama Improvisation Caricatures, Stereotypes Exaggerated mime Narration Thought-tracking Soundscapes

Vocal skills – volume, pace, pause, projection, tone Exaggerated physical skills – movement, gesture, facial expression, proxemics

Silent movie
Storyboards
Design elements: props and
costume, lighting, set, staging,
sound
Script deconstruction

Stock character, Zanni, Stock scenario, Lazzi Comic devices Awareness of Audience

Charlotte Dymond – Murder Mystery



Bodmin Moor 1844

To develop collaborative rehearsal skills:

 Respect, teamwork and leadership through collaborative rehearsal and performance work.

To develop knowledge and understanding of contextual issues and themes:

- Ballard of Charlotte Dymond
- Folklore mystery
- Bodmin Moor, 1844
- Themes of ghosts, wealth and class, falsification of facts

To develop acting, design and directorial skills for verbatim theatre performance style:

- Truthful reconstruction of events through improvisation
- Characterisations fundamental to fictitious situation
- Creation of monologue, narration and news report
- Vocal and physical performance skills
- Lighting, sound, staging to create locations and climax

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 4. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama.

Leadership and respect within teamwork and directorial roles:

Contextual issues and themes:

exploration of folklore characters and situations based on the mystery of Charlotte Dymond, 1844, Bodmin Moor Cornwall; alongside themes of ghosts, illegitimacy, wealth and class, and falsification of facts.

Performance style: using verbatim theatre to create truthful reconstruction through improvisation, a range of voices and perspectives, narration, monologue, and news report;

Building characterisations, relationships and action through vocal and physical performance skills;

Practical application of **theatre design** to create atmosphere and dramatic climax: lighting, sound, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Leadership Respect Teamwork Directorial role

Folklore Superstitions Illegitimacy Wealth and class Falsification of facts

Verbatim theatre
Reconstruction
Voice and perspective
Narration
Monologue
Hot seating
Thought tracking
News report

Mood and atmosphere Dramatic climax Lighting Sound Staging

Analysis and evaluation – writing skills

Evacuees – Devising Theatre



Evacuation from London 1938

To develop collaborative rehearsal skills:

Leadership, adopting directorial roles to shape performances creatively and delegate / organise roles within the group

To develop knowledge and understanding of contextual issues and complex themes:

- Evacuation of children in WW2 London Blitz
- Syrian War
- Rabbit Proof Fence -1905 – 1967,
 Aboriginal Child Removal Policy
- Feelings, emotions and moral decisions – loss, love, family, family strength, humility, kindness

To develop acting, design and directorial skills for performance:

- Characterisations, fundamental to fictitious situations
- Vocal and physical performance skills
- Use of stage space, set lighting and sound to communicate context and dramatic meaning

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at

the end of Term 5. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama

Leadership and respect within teamwork and directorial roles;

Contextual issues and themes:

exploration of The London Blitz, War in Syria and The Aboriginal people of Australia, focusing on themes of evacuation, loss, displacement, family, within different historical contexts;

Exploration of humility, courage and kindness within complex themes, exploring victims' feelings, emotions and moral decisions;

Developing truthful, fictitious characterisations, fundamental to historical situations, within imaginative and structured devised improvisations;

Practical application of theatre design to enhance dramatic meaning: lighting, sound, costume, props, set, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Leadership Respect Teamwork Directorial role

Evacuation Displacement

Moral decisions Feelings Emotions Humility Courage Kindness

Truthful inner life Structured improvisation

Lighting
Sound
Staging
Multi-purpose set
Costumes
Props

Analysis and evaluation – writing skills

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have.,

Oscar Wilde

To develop skills for working independently:

- Courage and positivity to work independently
- Humility to receive feedback
- Leadership in sharing ideas with a team

To develop playwriting skills to create original imaginative performances:

- Imaginative scenarios
- Truthful characters
- Development of relationships through dialogue
- Locations
- Mood and atmosphere
- Conflict and tension
- Storytelling
- Structuring of plot and stage directions

To develop directorial and design skills for performance:

Fusion of lighting, sound, set and use of stage space to create dramatic meaning

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 6. This will focus on –

- a) Script writing skills
- b) Moving from page to stage in performance
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama

Courage and positivity to work independently and humility to receive feedback;

Exploration and development of playwriting skills to create original imaginative performances;

Creation of imaginative theatrical skills - scenarios, characters, relationships, dialogue, locations, conflict and tension, storytelling;

Structuring of plot, stage directions and script layout;

Visual and aural interpretation of action and how the fusion of design elements can depth to dramatic meaning – staging, set, use of stage space, sound, lighting;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Courage Positivity Humility

Play script
Imaginative scenario Structure
of plot
Character profile
Storytelling
Monologue
Dialogue styles
Public image versus Private
image
Given circumstance
Conflict and tension
Relationships
Protagonist
Antagonist

Visualisation of location Stage directions Sound Lighting Set Staging Use of stage space

YEAR 9	performances, theatre design ele		ectorial perspective. Emphasis is pl styles. The drama process continu es.	
TOPIC	OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT	KEY CONCEPTS / SKILLS	KEY TERMINOLOGY
Lord of the Flies – Play Text Exploration	To develop collaborative rehearsal and performance skills: Explore the character virtues of respect, leadership, teamwork Understand the performers' relationship with each other and the audience To develop knowledge and understanding of contextual issues and key themes: Futuristic, atomic war Democracy versus autonomy, moral courage, abuse of power, violence, injustice, loss of innocence To develop directorial and design skills for performance: Fusion of lighting, sound, set and use of stage space to create dramatic meaning To develop skills of analysis and evaluation: Evaluation of live professional theatre Verbal and written	Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives. Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 1. This will focus on — a) 'As a director' style questions b) Evaluation of Live Theatre style questions c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist d) Target setting All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama	Respect, Leadership and Teamwork for effective collaboration; Moving from Page to Stage: creative interpretation of text; Contextual issues: social, cultural, political, historical – democracy versus autonomy, order versus anarchy, futuristic atomic war, loss of innocence; Performance style and genre: ritualism, symbolism, psychological realism; Analysis of character performances: vocal and physical skills, relationships and interactions, use of space; Practical application of theatre design: lighting, sound, costume, set, staging; Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.	Teamwork Collaboration Physical Skills: gesture, posture, facial expression, eye contact, orientation, proximity Vocal Skills: volume, pace, pause, tone, inflection, accent, emphasis, still image Symbolism, psychological realism, ritualism Use of stage space: character groupings, choreography, stage patterns, rhythm and pace, synchronisation, levels, exits and entrances Sound: diegetic, non-diegetic Staging: proscenium arch, thrust, theatre-in-the-round, traverse, box set Desired audience response.

Jekyll and Hyde – an Expressionistic Approach



To develop collaborative rehearsal skills:

Teamwork and creativity to enhance experimentation

To develop knowledge and understanding of performance style and themes:

- Realism versus expressionism
- Themes of transformation, duality of human nature, mirrors and shadows, truth and deceit, violence, civilised versus primitive, reputation

To develop acting skills and theatre design skills:

- Move from page to stage – interpretation of script
- Develop characterisation through contrast in physicality and voice
- Lighting, sound, costume and props to create atmosphere, mood, dramatic climax and contrast
- Desired audience response

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of

own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 2. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a director' style questions
- b) Evaluation of Live Theatre style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama

Courage and Positivity for creative experimentation;

Moving from Page to Stage: Creative interpretation of text;

Performance style: realism versus expressionism;

Themes: duality of human nature, good Versus evil, mirrors and shadows, violence, repression, appearance versus reputation;

Building imaginative, fictional characters through vocal and physical contrasts;

Theatre design application: lighting, sound, costume, set;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Teamwork, Creativity Experimentation

Expressionism, Antonin Artaud, surrealism, psychological realism

Thought tracking Monologue Hot seating Metamorphosis / transformation Juxtaposition

Physical Skills: gesture, posture, facial expression, eye contact, orientation, proximity Vocal Skills: volume, pace, pause, tone, inflection, accent, emphasis

Desired audience response

Face by Benjamin Zaphaniah – Play Text Exploration





To develop collaborative rehearsal skills:

Respect, humility and positivity within teamwork and in relation to characters' moral decisions;

To develop knowledge and understanding of performance style and themes:

- Psychological realism
- Episodic style: narration, montage, cross-cutting, chorus, juxtaposition, foreshadowing, multipurpose set, symbolism, breaking of fourth wall
- Themes of prejudice, isolation, friendship

To develop acting skills and theatre design skills:

- Move from page to stage – interpretation of play script
- Develop psychological truth in character
- Lighting, sound, costume and props to create atmosphere, mood, dramatic climax and contrast
- Desired audience response

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Terms 3 & 4. This will focus on –

- a) 'As a director' style questions
- b) 'As a designer' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama Respect, Humility, and Positivity within Teamwork;

Moving from Page to Stage: creative interpretation of text;

Contextual issues: social, cultural, political, historical – themes of prejudice and isolation.

Performance styles:

psychological realism (Stanislavski), episodic style (Bertolt Brecht); chorus (Greek theatre, Aristophanes),

Practical exploration of drama conventions:

mood/atmosphere, spatial positioning, rhythm and pace, non-verbal communication, soundscapes, role of chorus, cross-cutting, vocal skills, narration, juxtaposition, chorus;

Practical application of **theatre design:** lighting, sound, costume, set, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Teamwork Humility

Moral Dilemma Prejudice

Psychological realism Constantin Stanislavski Episodic Style Bertolt Brecht

Breaking the fourth wall
Symbolism
Foreshadowing
Diegetic and non-diegetic
sound
Montage
Non-verbal communication
Spatial positioning and levels
Gesture and facial expression
Proxemics
Stylisation
Narration
Cross-cutting and split scene
Juxtaposition of emotional
states

Texts in Performance – from Page to Stage



To develop collaborative performance skills:

Explore the character virtues of courage, positivity, leadership and pride for performance.

To develop acting and performance skills:

- Move from page to stage – original interpretation of plays
- Stanislavski creating a truthful imaginative inner life, given circumstances and character objectives
- Advanced vocal and physical skills, linked to key terminology
- Symbolic costume and props
- Creative and meaningful use of stage space and proximity
- Desired audience response

To communicate knowledge and understanding of contextual issues:

Truth in Heart, Truth in Justice, Truth in Adversity

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment: Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place

own practical work and others practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment: Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 5. This will

focus on -

- a) 'As a performer' style questions
- b) 'As a director' style questions
- c) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- d) Target setting

All assessment is based on Making, Performing and Evaluating Drama

Courage, Positivity, Leadership and Pride for **performance**;

Moving from Page to Stage: Creative interpretation of text;

Contextual issues: searching for Truth – Truth in Heart (relationships), Truth in Justice (authority, social issues), Truth in Adversity (rights and freedoms);

Building characterisations and relationships through physical/vocal performance skills, development of given circumstances and the imaginative inner life;

Refinement and polish of vocal skills, physical skills and use of stage space, for performance;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Truth and authenticity in performance – Stanislavski

Truthful characterisation -Inner life and Outer life Given circumstances Thought tracking

Character objectives and motivation

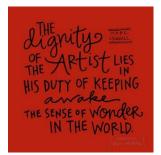
Vocal skills: pitch, volume, pace, pause/silence, articulation, inflection, emphasis, accent Physical skills: gesture, facial expression, gaze, posture, stance, pace, movement

Symbolic costume and props

Use of stage space: blocking, use of levels, proximity, exits/entrances

Desired audience response

Devising Theatre Project and Playwriting



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To develop skills for teamwork and collaboration:

- Courage and positivity
- Humility to receive feedback
- Leadership in sharing ideas with a team

To develop devising skills to create original imaginative performances:

- Episodic, nonnaturalistic style
- Narration and direct address
- Factual scenes to communicate context
- Anchor scenes to structure linear plot
- Stylised movement to communicate emotion
- Development of truthful relationships through dialogue, monologue and thought tracking
- Use of chorus to communicate collective attitudes

To develop directorial and design skills for performance:

Fusion of lighting, sound, set and use of stage space to create dramatic meaning

To develop skills of analysis and evaluation:

Verbal and written feedback of own work and others' work

Formative assessment:

Analysis and evaluation of own practical work and others' practical work will take place every lesson, in relation to lesson objectives.

Summative assessment:

Written analysis and evaluation will take place at the end of Term 6. This will focus on GCSE Portfolio style questions —

- a) Initial response to stimuli and intentions
- b) Exploration of stimuli for performance
- c) Significant moments during rehearsal process – genre, structure, character, form, language, style
- d) D.I.R.T. in relation to learning checklist
- e) Target setting

Leadership, Positivity and Courage within **Teamwork**;

Exploration and experimentation of drama conventions to create original imaginative performances;

Presenting a social conscience and awareness: exploration of political, social, cultural and historical contexts;

Character development and refinement of vocal and physical skills for structured improvisation;

Practical application of **theatre design:** lighting, sound, costume, set, staging;

Making, Performing and Evaluating: understanding the 3-part assessment criteria.

Creativity
Originality
Improvisation
Devising

Narration and direct address
Episodic style and montage
Stylised movement
Information scene
News report
Linear timeline
Anchor scene
Monologue
Thought Tracking
Dramatic climax
Contrasts
Protagonist
Chorus

Lighting: Spotlight, Flood light, Fresnel, Parcan, coloured gel, gobo, barn doors, intensity, angle, cross fade, up-lighting, back-lighting

Sound: diegetic, non-diegetic Staging: proscenium arch, thrust, theatre-in-the-round, traverse, box set

Desired audience response