



Subject:	Drama
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Head of Department:	Ms Halliday
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Year:	Eight
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Curriculum organisation
Students are taught in mixed groups of approximately 22 students per group, for one lesson per week.

What topics will your daughter be studying this year?			How will your daughter be learning?
Autumn Term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of key Drama skills: Focus, Listening, Teamwork, Confidence, Support. Exploration of how tension is created in theatre Developing devising skills 	Spring Term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social and Political aspects of Theatre including exploration of the work of Augusto Boal Characterisation / Acting skills 	Summer Term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approaching scripted performances. Designing for scripted performances. Performing scripted pieces. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stretch and challenge activities Discuss, question and appraise practical ideas in whole class discussion Practical experimentation, Trial and error Work independently and as a member of a small group or pair Problem-solving tasks Research/ written tasks

Equipment needed for lessons	What can you do to support your daughter?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama file (to be kept at home) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage to read plays, visit the theatre, and discuss theatre. Visit theatre websites such as www.nationaltheatre.org.uk

How will learning be assessed and progress measured?	Extension & Enrichment opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students continually evaluate and assess their personal development, they will offer critical evaluation of the own and other people's work following performance tasks. In addition they will complete written peer and self-assessment tasks on key pieces of work, checked by the teacher. Baseline assessment in Autumn half-term using 1-9 level criteria. Teachers assess level of ability (1-9) during key piece of practical work each term. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theatre Visits Visiting theatre companies Lunch time drama clubs Workshops with professionals Residential visits

If you have any questions about this Learning Overview, please contact the named Head of Department above.