

YEAR 10 & 11 COURSES

Subject Drama

Course Level GCSE

Examining Body AQA

What will I be studying?

Students will explore a range of techniques

- Devising
- Rehearsal
- Performance
- Design and Technical Elements
- Textual Interpretation
- Reviewing Live Theatre

As part of this course students will be expected to

- Attend theatre trips
- Rehearse practical work outside of lessons
- Perform in front of an audience

This course provides a range of opportunities for students and is both extremely challenging and fun

What skills will I develop?

Students will develop a whole range of subject specific and transferable skills such as

- Creative and imaginative skills
- Communication
- Presentation and performance
- Confidence
- Characterisation
- Theatre design
- Theatre production
- Problem solving
- Time and project management
- Team work and leadership
- Essay planning, structuring and writing
- Descriptive and analytical skills

How will the course be structured?

Year 10

Students will develop a range of appropriate practical skills, drama techniques and conventions. Short written assignments will enable students to write about their work effectively, using appropriate terms and vocabulary

Year 11

Students will complete practical coursework assignments and prepare for their written examination, applying the skills they have assimilated during the course

How will I be assessed?

Component 1: Understanding Drama – 40% of GCSE

1 hour 45-minute written paper Students are required to answer questions on a set text and about a live theatre production

Component 2: Devising Drama – 40% of GCSE Students create own piece of work which is performed to an audience and accompanied by a portfolio detailing the process and an evaluation

Component 3: Texts in Practice – 20% of GCSE Students perform two extracts from one play

If you have any further questions about taking this course, who should you speak to?

1. Head of Drama – Ms Smyth