

Drama

The Drama Department aims to stimulate and nurture a lifelong interest in theatre and performance work. Students develop a range of skills including those needed for presentation and group awareness.

Drama is taught by a subject specialist in an inspiring studio, conducive to performance work. Pupils have one lesson per week throughout KS3 and can opt for GCSE. Our aim in KS3 is to furnish the pupils with a variety of useful performance skills and an understanding of theatrical styles and genres. Furthermore, we aim to improve confidence, listening skills and communication skills.

Key Stage 3

We focus on the following in each year:

Year 7

An Introduction to Drama Conventions
Goodnight Mr Tom
Making a Superhero Movie

Year 8

Challenging and directing a scripted text
Spontaneous improvisation
Physical Theatre

Year 9

Theatre Genres
Successful script writing
Drama that raises awareness

Our aim is that all lessons are practical; pupils regularly perform in front of each other and learn how to appraise work positively. Through these schemes of learning pupils have opportunities to work on a number of projects including improvisation, devised work, and performance of scripted plays alongside evaluating live theatre.

The department regularly joins with the Music Department, providing a varied extra-curricular programme. The two departments produce a School Production every year that we encourage our pupils to join. This production allows students to have the opportunity to perform or to work on the technical requirements of the productions and creates life-long memories.



