

Achievement Cycle Overview

Curriculum: Dance and Drama



Year	AC1	AC2	AC3	AC4					
7	Topic Overview: Introduction to to Dance/ Dance Basics A practical exploration in to dance with a focus on Dance composition and key terminology. An Introduction to the basic elements of dance and simple choreography using the basic actions and shapes of dance. A consideration of how dance is structured using choreographic devices. NC links: KS3 Physical Education Curriculum - develop their technique and improve their performance in other competitive sports [for example, athletics and gymnastics] - perform dances using advanced dance techniques in a range of dance styles and forms GCSE Links: Component 1: Exploring the Performing Arts Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts	Topic Overview: History of Theatre / Drama Basics / Intro to Shakespeare A practical exploration into the Greek origin of performance theatre with a focus on Drama basics and key terminology. NC links: GCSE Links: Component 1 & 3: Devising and presenting / performing texts. AO1 making AO2 Performing	Topic Overview: Scripted Unit – Ernie's Incredible Illuminations An introduction in to working from a published text. NC Links: English – Spoken language practise through performance GCSE Links: Component 3: Presenting and performing texts AO1 – AO4	Topic Overview: Intro to devising and script writing A practical exploration in to devising drama pieces based on stimulus using a range of dramatic techniques. NC Links: GCSE Links: Component 1: Devising and presenting AO1 Making AO2 Performing AO4 - Evaluating					
8	Topic Overview: Style Exploration An exploration of a variety of styles of dance, building knowledge, technique and understanding. NC links: KS3 Physical Education Curriculum - develop their technique and improve their performance in other competitive sports [for example, athletics and gymnastics] - perform dances using advanced dance techniques in a range of dance styles and forms - Take part in outdoor and adventurous activities which present intellectual and physical challenges and be encouraged to work in a team, building on trust and developing skills to solve problems, either individually or as a group - analyse their performances compared to previous ones and demonstrate improvement to achieve their personal best GCSE Links: Component 1: Exploring the Performing Arts Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts	Topic Overview: Character Development Characterisation explored through the genre of Melodrama NC Links: Spoken Language / Character analysis GCSE Links: Component 1: Devising AO1 Making AO2 Performing AO3 Development	Topic Overview: Musical Theatre Dance An exploration of what musical theatre is and how to use different musicals and themes as a starting point for choreography. It explores characterisation within performances. They will be introduced to interpretative skills and encouraged to develop the use of performance skills. NC links: GCSE Links: Component 2: working from published texts AO1: making AO2: Performing AO3: responding to theatre (review)	Topic Overview: Devising from Stimulus A creative exploration of making drama from an image / historical event / music / artefact / article NC Links: GCSE Links: Component 1: particular links to research and development AO1 Making AO3 Developing					



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Topic Overview: Introduction to Jazz Dance

An introduction of Jazz Dance Technique
Study of professional choreographer/style
Technique development
Introduction to Bob Fosse
Exploration of his History/background, Stylistic

Appreciation of professional Works choreographed by Bob Fosse.

NC links: KS3 Physical Education Curriculum

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GCSE Links:

Component 1: Exploring the Performing Arts
Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in
the Performing Arts

Component 3: Responding to a Brief

Topic Overview: Let Him Have It

A range of character, staging and design techniques explored using thematic links to the true story of Derek Bentley.

NC links:

GCSE Links: Component 1 and Component 3 AO1 – AO4

Topic Overview: Topic Overview: Introduction to Physical Theatre

An Introduction to Physical Theatre and contact work

Introduction to DV8—Brief history, dance, stylistic features, choreographic style Exploration of his History/background, Stylistic features

Appreciation of professional Works choreographed by DV8.

NC links: KS3 Physical Education Curriculum

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GCSE Links:

Component 1: Exploring the Performing Arts Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts Component 3: Responding to a Brief

Topic Overview: Live Theatre Review

Response and reaction to a piece of live theatre focusing on Director's artistic vision and sharing opinion.

NC links

GCSE Links

Component 4: live theatre review AO3 Development AO4 Evaluation

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	10	Topic Overview: Practitioners in Practise An explorative look at naturalism and stylised theatre techniques with links to Stanislavski, Brecht and Stanislavski	Topic Overview: Devising from Stimulus Component 1 (take 1) Devising from a stimulus	Topic Overview: Writing a live theatre review Further practise of response and reaction to a piece of live theatre – developing key terminology, structure.	Topic Overview: Component 2 Non-examined component 2 performance. Plan / rehearse / perform / evaluate.
		NC links: GCSE Links: Component 1 and Component 2 AO1 and AO2	NC links: GCSE Links: Component 1: AO1, AO2, AO4	NC links: GCSE Links: Component 4 AO3 and AO4	NC links: GCSE Links: Component 1 & 2 devised drama AO1,AO2.AO4
	11	Topic Overview: Blood Brothers A detailed project on the text, its characters / themes / social & historical background / playwright intention / signs and symbols of drama NC links: GCSE Links: Component 4	Topic Overview: Live Theatre Review / PAP Developing published texts for performance and revising review techniques. NC links: GCSE Links: Components 3 & 4	Topic Overview: PAP Rehearse and development of performance texts in prep for visiting examiner. Revising Blood Brothers & Live Theatre review. NC links: GCSE Links: Components 3 & 4	Topic Overview: Blood Brothers and Theatre Review NC links: GCSE Links: Component 4