

Key Stage 4 - Drama

Intent	Implementation	Impact
Our KS4 Drama curriculum, following the Eduqas GCSE Drama specification, aims to develop confident, creative, and critically engaged theatre-makers. We foster practical performance skills (vocal, physical, devising, text interpretation) and analytical abilities through studying a set text and live theatre. Students will experience creating their own pieces of drama, performing existing scripted work and watch professionally produced productions. Beyond the curriculum, we cultivate vital transferable skills: communication, collaboration, problem-solving, empathy, and resilience.	The course is taught through 3 components, in year 10 complete component 1 where students devise original drama from a stimulus, applying a theatrical practitioner or genre. They perform their piece and document the creative process in a Devising Log. In year 11 their practical focus is component 2 where students perform two extracts from one published play, showcasing vocal and physical skills in different roles. Across both years they also study a set text and piece of live theatre in preparation for their exam. Students are supported through example performances, teacher guidance and customised exam resources.	Students develop strong communication, collaboration, and performance skills. Progress and attainment are measured through regular assessment and feedback during practical tasks and through written tasks for their exam component. Knowledge retention and progression are evident in students' ability to apply complex dramatic theories to practical work and analyze texts with increasing sophistication. Pupils utilize this knowledge in other subjects through enhanced public speaking and teamwork. Success looks like students confidently taking creative risks, applying practical styles and by linking practical skills with their written set text.

Assessment

Component 1 is assessed in school through practical performances and coursework.
Component 2 is externally assessed by a visiting examiner who watches the students' performances.
Component 3 is an external exam.