

DRAMA

Course Details

The course consists of 3 components:

- **Unit 1 Devising Drama (30%)** – Students create a piece of drama from a choice of stimulus provided by the exam board, they also create a portfolio or a working notebook alongside the performance, both practical work and portfolio will be marked.
- **Unit 2 Performing Texts (30%)** - The students will study and perform extracts from a script. They will look at what effect they want to create on the audience and how to do that. The performance is marked by an external examiner.
- **Unit 3 Written exam (40%) 1 hour 30 mins** – Students study a set text in a practical way and answer questions about their explorations and findings. They will also write a live theatre performance analysis which means that some theatre visits will be essential to the course.

Drama gives students the opportunity to express themselves and their ideas in a wide variety of ways. It is also about much more than acting and students develop many key transferable skills, which, are highly sought after by employers. Students can also choose to explore the technical side of theatre including sound, lights, costume etc

Course Type/exam board: GCSE // OCR

Course Availability

Compulsory? NO

Option for all? YES

What subjects combine well with Drama

All subjects including Maths, Physics, Art, Creative iMedia and Enterprise.



This QR code links to a Youtube clip where prominent business people discuss the transferable skills of drama. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q3DGHtpuV28>



Student View

Drama is a fun, exciting and practical subject which makes a nice change. Improvising, practicing and performing helped develop my ability and skills to focus my mind, improve memory and build confidence.

How is Drama assessed?

Assessment	% of GCSE
Examination percentage	60
Coursework/practical assessment	40