## Drama Curriculum Overview



## Drama not studied at Primary phase

Drama	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
EYFS			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Year 4			
Year 5			
Year 6			
Year 7	<ul> <li>Mime and Movement <ul> <li>The basic principles of mime.</li> <li>Use linear mime to create objects.</li> <li>Use facial expressions and body language to effectively show emotion.</li> <li>Use pace and exaggeration in a mimed performance.</li> <li>Show awareness of the audience in performance</li> <li>Creating clear characters for performance. (movement, gesture, facial expressions).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Commedia Dell Arte: • Historical • Focus • Movement • Reaction • Rhythm Darkwood Manor • Characterisation • Cross Cutting • Building tension and suspense	<ul> <li>Introduction to Script / Mr Holgado</li> <li>Role on the wall and practical rehearsal games to create convincing characters</li> <li>The themes of the play Mr Holgado</li> <li>Non-vocal aspects of the script such as gestures, facial expressions and the use of levels.</li> <li>Characters within the script using practical rehearsal techniques</li> <li>Relationships within the script</li> <li>Character development throughout the play</li> <li>Performance ideas based on the text</li> </ul>
Year 8	Petty Crime         Dialogue         Character development         Issue based         Mime and Mask         Movement         Focus         Reaction         Nonverbal communication	<ul> <li>Verbatim Theatre</li> <li>What verbatim theatre is and its origin and context</li> <li>Creating a 'Living Newspaper'</li> <li>Use transcripts to create verbatim theatre</li> <li>Creating and manipulating the context of a performance</li> <li>Experimenting with different forms of verbatim theatre and how playwrights</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Macbeth <ul> <li>Understanding Shakespeare's plays and language</li> <li>Introduction to Shakespeare and the themes and storyline that runs through Macbeth</li> <li>Stage key scenes in Macbeth, exploring classical and modern interpretations</li> <li>The context in which the plays were written and also their relevance today.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

		<ul><li>might approach it differently</li><li>Techniques used in verbatim theatre</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Analysing Shakespeare's text and how to read and perform it.</li> <li>Metamorphosis         <ul> <li>Stephen Berkoff's performance techniques</li> <li>Experimenting with stylized physicality</li> <li>Using stylized dialogue</li> <li>Staging and contrasting in movement</li> <li>The impact of directorial intentions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Year 9	<ul> <li>Jekyll and Hyde <ul> <li>Use games and improvisation to explore characterisation and make creative decisions</li> <li>Use descriptive language and subject specific terminology to analyse creative decisions</li> <li>Use of motif</li> <li>Use physicality, expression and tableaux to depict duality</li> </ul> </li> <li>Stanislavski <ul> <li>Why Stanislavski developed his system</li> <li>What was expected from actors training with Stanislavski's methods</li> <li>Key ideas within Stanislavski's system</li> <li>Create and develop work within a naturalistic style.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Brecht – The Caucasian Chalk Circle</li> <li>Who Brecht is</li> <li>What Epic Theatre is</li> <li>What the alienation technique is</li> <li>Use placards and projections</li> <li>Use narrative speech</li> <li>What gestus is</li> </ul> Absurd Theatre <ul> <li><u>Pinter</u></li> <li><u>Becket</u></li> <li>Style</li> <li>Subtext</li> <li>Pace</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DNA <ul> <li>Characterisation</li> <li>Script based</li> <li>Rehearsal techniques</li> <li>Ensemble performance</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night time <ul> <li>Script based</li> <li>Ensemble Performance</li> <li>Rehearsal Techniques</li> <li>Character exploration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Year 10	<ul> <li>Intro to drama skill and written exam techniques</li> <li>Intro to 'DNA' exam text</li> <li>'DNA' exam prep and performance</li> <li>'DNA' theatre trip</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Devising skills and practitioners</li> <li>Stimuli and ideas research/ Written portfolio</li> <li>Devising process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Devising and written Portfolio</li> <li>Mock Performance</li> <li>Rehearsing</li> <li>'Curious Incident' analysis and trip</li> </ul>

	Mock 'DNA' written exam		
Year 11	Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts	Review own development of skills and techniques in/for performance	Responding to a Brief
	<ul> <li>Applying: <ul> <li>skills and techniques during the performance of existing repertoire.</li> <li>performance skills appropriate to performance repertoire.</li> <li>Interpretative skills such as expression, character, mood and atmosphere.</li> <li>stylistic characteristics particular to the chosen style or genre.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Application of skills and techniques during rehearsal</li> <li>Communicating meaning of repertoire through: interpretation and realisation of creative intentions, demonstrating the appropriate style and influences of expressive use of voice and movement and to communicate meaning to an audience.</li> </ul>	Tracking progress during this component, reflecting on the development of skills and working practices in workshops, through to rehearsals and performances. The review can include recordings, annotations and/or written content.	Work as part of a group to contribute to a workshop performance as either a performer or designer in response to a given brief and stimulus.