

## Drama

**Qualification:** Vocational Award in Performing Arts - Drama

Exam Board: Eduqas

Level of Achievement: Level 1-2 Pass, Merit, Distinction

(Equivalent to GCSE grades 1-9)

# For more information speak

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#### What will I learn?

The Drama course is designed for anyone with an interest in devising, rehearsing and performing drama.

You will work in teams. You will learn how to create an engaging piece of drama. You will use explorative strategies to develop your rehearsal practices. You will develop your performance skills and show confidence when performing. You will demonstrate your knowledge with practical performances and written assignments.

You will have the opportunity to watch a professional performance at a professional theatre.

#### How will I be assessed?

The course is assessed via coursework. There is no final examination. You will complete 3 pieces of coursework over Y10 and Y11.

**Unit 1 – Performing (30%):** In this unit you will learn about a variety of plays. You will read sections from a variety of scripts. Your group will then choose a script to work on. You will learn the lines for this script and rehearse your performance. You will write coursework assignments based on your choices and how your work develops. You will then perform your piece of drama. You then write an evaluation on the performance.

**Unit 2 – Creating (30%):** In this unit you will work in a group to devise your own piece of drama. You will be given a brief with a theme stimulus. You will research, plan, and create an original piece of drama with a group. You will rehearse and develop your performance. You will write coursework assignments based on your choices and how your work develops. You will then perform your piece of drama. You then write an evaluation on the performance.

**Unit 3 – Performing Arts in Practice (40%):** You will create a project in response to a creative brief, to experience the professional standard of being a drama practitioner in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. You will create ideas and performance pieces to meet the brief before pitching these ideas to a panel of judges. Your presentation will show that you have researched, planned and developed your concept.

### **Future opportunities**

Drama develops the skills that are most required by employers; creativity communication, teamwork, negotiation, problem solving, leadership, organisation and perseverance. Selecting and being successful in Drama can demonstrate your employability skills.

Industry careers include: Actor, Director, Designer, Sound/Lighting Technician
Other relevant careers include: Lawyer, Teacher, Events Manager, and Social Worker

