

# Drama GCSE



Exam board is Edexcel

- Component 1 – Devising Drama (40%)
- Component 2 – Texts in practice (20%)
- Component 3 – Written Exam (40%)

# Outline of Topics



## Component 1

- Devised group theatre on a contemporary stimulus.
- Performance to an invited live audience.
- Devising workshops including physical theatre and modern techniques.
- Practitioners – Brecht and Stanislavski.
- Contemporary theatre company techniques – Frantic Assembly, Kneehigh, National Theatre.

## Component 2

- Professional works – A large range of contemporary plays.
- Scripted performance – a wide range of Historical and contemporary playwrights performing to an invited live audience

## Component 3

- Live Theatre visits to the Bristol Old Vic, Hippodrome, Tobacco Factory and / or Wardrobe theatre
- Technical theatre – Lighting, Sound, Costume and Set design
- Written exam techniques and practise questions on the set text *An Inspector Calls*

# Assessment

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- Component 1 – Devised practical performance to an audience and Devising log of 2,000 words (40%) To be completed in year 10.
- Component 2 – Practical performance of two extracts from the same play in front of an invited audience (20%)
- Component 3 - 1 ½ hour Written paper (40%)
- Set Text of An Inspector Calls and a Live Theatre Review.



# Theatre Trips

- Students have the opportunity to go on a number of theatre trips throughout the course at some of the best theatres in the country including the Bristol Old Vic and the Bristol Hippodrome. Remote learning watching professional works from The National theatre in London.



# Post 16 Links and Career opportunities

- Drama GCSE is an excellent foundation for any further training in Performing Arts, including as a performer, designer (Sound, lighting, set, costume) or director. **The creative industry is the third biggest in the UK and contributes over £100 billion to the UK economy per year.** This includes; TV and film, theatre, video games, digital marketing, designers, fashion, publishers, museums and galleries, musicians, writers, artists, architects, advertisers and many more.
- **Drama is an excellent subject and training for so many different careers.**



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# Why choose Drama?



Self Confidence

Social Awareness

Imagination and Creativity

Empathy

Collaboration and Cooperation

Work in groups with your friends

Concentration skills

Memory, Trust and Respect

Problem solving

**FUN!!**

Become part of our growing  
Performing Arts community!

Our production this year is Matilda and will be  
performed in March 2022!



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