

“The arts contribute to the development of an understanding of the physical, emotional, intellectual, aesthetic, social, moral and spiritual dimensions of human experience.”

Drama course overview

During the course you will explore a variety of issues and texts and learn how to employ different dramatic genre and techniques. You will have the opportunity to attend live theatre and take part in various workshops and activities as a result of our relationships with Curve theatre and the RSC. You will also be encouraged to perform your own work to a variety of different audiences both in and outside College. You will learn how to communicate, how to plan and how to develop your critical skills through evaluation, analysis and reflection.

How is the course is assessed?

30% Devised performance and portfolio

Practical exploration of a stimulus that you complete in Year 10.

30% Scripted performance and supporting written intentions

Practical exploration and performance of 2 extracts from a play. We complete this in Year 11.

40% Written exam

Practical exploration of the set text ‘Blood Brothers’ and written preparation for the exam which consists of questions on the ‘Blood Brothers’ and a Live Theatre evaluation question on one of the performances we take you to see. You will sit this exam in Year 11.

Is this course for you?

You should give this course serious consideration if:

- You enjoy the subject or are interested in drama
- You want to develop key skills such as teamwork, leadership, communication, problem solving, creativity, innovation and taking risks
- You like to learn through practical activities
- You enjoy going to the theatre
- You want to grow as a person and build your self esteem
- You are committed and can work as a member of a team
- You are independent in your studies, are organised and can manage your time.

What could this course lead to?

We live in a fast-moving world, while employers continue to demand high academic standards, they also want more. They want people who can adapt, innovate, see connections, communicate and work with others.

Drama will teach you to think in a more divergent manner, this can be applied to any subject or any job you ever do. Skills developed in drama will help you in a variety of other GCSE subjects and careers in law, medicine, finance, communications, education, retail, business, tourism, media and politics.

Who can I contact for further advice or support?

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