

KS3 COURSE OPTIONS

Course Title	Drama
Course Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Year 8 Drama course seeks to give students grounding in the fundamental principles of educational drama. Students explore dramatic conventions and use them as a tool to create drama of their own. • We expect students to work cooperatively and sensitively with others and to engage with and learn from a variety of social situations. The skills learned here are transferable to all aspects of work, life and leisure. • Students are encouraged to work creatively and imaginatively. The practical emphasis allows students to develop confidence in their ability to work with others. • Students are encouraged to take calculated risks in their approaches to drama. Showing and evaluating work are an integral part of the course offered. Nevertheless, it is the processes of learning through drama that are integral to the Year 8 curriculum.
Course Content (Term 1,2,3 etc.)	<p>Exploration One Darkwood Manor : Exploration of dramatic conventions. Areas covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot seating • Physicalisation • Role play/Characterisation • Improvisation • Imaginative recall <p>Exploration Two Blood Brothers: Interpretation through text. Areas covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moral decision making through role play • Characterisation • Staging and performance skills • Creating drama through debate • Physicalisation <p>Exploration Three Rabbit Proof Fence: Investigating through drama. Areas covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moral, Spiritual, Historical and Cultural investigation through text/film. • Characterisation

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Extra-Curricular Opportunities	<p>All students are offered the opportunity to be part of the annual school musical either as actors, singers, technical or back stage staff.</p> <p>Visits to live theatre performances are offered as extra- curricular opportunities.</p> <p>A KS3 performance has been offered.</p>
Useful Websites	<p>Royal Shakespeare Theatre AQA Edexcel</p>
Important Information	<p>Drama is currently offered as a rotation with Art.</p>
Provision For Most Able	<p>Directing roles are offered as extension exercises. Mentoring is offered by Year 12 and Year 13 students.</p>
Assessment	<p>Self- Evaluation Peer- Evaluation Extended homework project Teacher - Assessment</p>