



KS3 Year 8 Assessment Plan

Subject: Drama

Curriculum Intent:

The students, pick up Year 8 with a plethora of knowledge from Year 7. This year is about two things, primarily enabling those that wish to continue into GCSE Drama the opportunity to develop as actors and creatives, while preparing them with the knowledge base to achieve during this next phase. Secondly, this year will look at pushing the expectations of all students in terms of their work ethic and quality of performance

Topics covered in Year 8	
Physical Theatre	Melodrama
War Horse	Devising

Assessment Calendar

Term	Assessment information	Which component is this assessing?
Autumn half term 1	The students work to explore the abstract nature of physical theatre as well as new techniques that help to create the style. This will culminate in a group devised performance.	This links into the performances that are required of a GCSE Drama student. Specifically, the work in Component 1 of the GCSE.
Autumn half term 2	The students will move onto Melodrama, studying the key conventions of this genre and will create a group performance using it.	This links into the performances that are required of a GCSE Drama student. Specifically, the work in Component 1 of the GCSE.

Spring half term 1	The students will begin to explore the scripted play 'War Horse' and focus on how they create an atmosphere within the story.	See below.
Spring half term 2	The students will finish off exploring 'War Horse' and will be put into groups to perform an extract from the play.	This links to the performances required of a GCSE Drama student. Specifically, the work in Component 2 of the GCSE.
Summer half term 1	The year will then finish by taking all the skills and techniques the students have learnt through their KS3 Drama journey and use this to make a final devised performance.	See below.
Summer half term 2	The group devised performances will be refined during this time and performed.	This links into the performances that are required of a GCSE Drama student. Specifically, the work in Component 1 of the GCSE.

PR Points

Progress Review Point	Which assessments count towards the WAG?	Weighting
Y8 PR1	Physical Theatre	50%
	Melodrama	50%
Y8 PR2	Physical Theatre	33%
	Melodrama	33%
	'War Horse'	33%