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Why study Performance skills?

The primary purpose of this course is to introduce the skills, knowledge and qualities needed in the performing arts sector. You will develop skills in a wide variety of performance types, such as drama, dance, music and puppetry. You will also have the opportunity to develop technical skills such as lighting, sound, set design, stage make up and stage management.

In addition to helping students acquire subject knowledge, this specification promotes:

- Organisation skills
- Independent learning
- Managing Projects
- teamwork
- creativity

What key knowledge, concepts and skills will I learn?

Performance Skills helps students develop technical and expressive skills as well as knowledge and understanding of theatre through performance, choreography, musical studies and critical appreciation of the theatre as a whole.

This specification enables students to:

- increase their confidence and self-esteem
- employ the skills of problem solving and creativity
- make knowledgeable decisions about performance

What will I study in the theory element of the course?

The theory element of this course encourages you to be a reflective learner. You will keep reflective diaries and learning logs to show your progression and development of skills throughout the course. These will then be moderated both internally and externally.

What attitudes and qualities are required to do well?

You will need good literacy (reading and writing) skills, the ability to analyse and evaluate performance and make effective plans for improvement, a commitment to taking part in performance in school and outside of school and a desire to take all opportunities offered outside the curriculum to improve performance and theoretical knowledge throughout the course.

How will I be assessed?

The course will be assessed through the completion of two units of study; unit one; working in the industry – written examination, Unit two; Planning and Performing- Practical preparation and showcase.

What other subjects link into this course?

This course links in well with Drama, Music and Dance. Course content is also supported by English, History and Religious Studies.



What career options are open to me?

This course provides a solid foundation for a career in performing arts and/or further studies in drama, music and theatre studies.

For more information you might like to visit:

https://www.ncfe.org.uk/schools/key-stage-4-v-certs