## Subject: Performing Arts Year 7 Curriculum Overview



**Intent**: Dance: By the end of the year, students will understand key dance vocabulary and be able to execute with confidence. Students with have knowledge on a variety of practitioners in different dance styles and begin to understand what elements are needed to be a professional dancer and create a professional piece of repertoire. Students will work alongside their teacher and begin to create choreography and learn the importance of their execution and precision of movement. Students will begin to develop their confidence in devising their own piece of choreography while reflecting on their previous knowledge gained throughout the academic year.

Acting: By the end of the year, students will understand key drama vocabulary and be able to execute with confidence. Students with have knowledge on a variety of practitioners in different acting styles and begin to understand what elements are needed to be a professional actor and create a professional piece of drama. Students will work alongside their teacher and begin to create drama. Students will begin to develop their confidence in devising their own piece of performance, while reflecting on their previous knowledge gained throughout the academic year.

Musical Theatre: By the end of the year, students should be able to understand the stylistic features and creative intentions of Musical Theatre, being able to discuss genre, style, repertoire and practitioners of Musical Theatre coherently.

	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
	Assessment 1			Assessment 2		
<b>Core Course Topic:</b> These topics are taught through the identified terms. They are taught in small bitesize chunks and revisited regularly.	Core 1: Skills- The Island Understanding key stylistic features needed to create a small performance.	Core 1: Skill- Urban Moves Understand key dance terminology and be able to execute them successfully.	Option 1: Styles- Musical Theatre: Matilda Have a clear understanding of key Musical Theatre subject specific terminology and have a secure understanding of the main acting stylistic features of Musical Theatre.	Option 1: Styles- Musical Theatre: Shrek Have a clear understanding of key Musical Theatre subject specific terminology and have a secure understanding of the main acting stylistic features of Musical Theatre.	Core 2: Devising- Text Appreciation: Humpty Dumpty How do you get from page to stage?	Core 2: Devising using Dance Styles Have an understanding of a variety of dance styles and be able to execute them with confidence. Exploring cultural capital.
Additional support links:	Acting Skills and Techniques	We are young	BBC Bitesize	BBC Bitesize	<u>Terrible Fate of</u> <u>Humpty Dumpty</u>	Jazz
		Street Dance				Rock 'n' Roll

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			explanation video	explanation video			
			Musical Theatre	Musical Theatre			
			compilation video.	compilation video.			
Knowledge:	The technique of drama elements and placing them into a coherent piece Ability to work within a group format sharing and collaborating ideas. Evaluating and peer assessing work, focusing on critical thinking and improvement.	An understanding of urban/street dance style and key dance terminology. Focus on dance origins and how they develop. To be able to understand dance stylistic features while executing them within the choreography.	An introduction to Musical Theatre acting styles and repertoire Understanding of key musical theatre dance styles. A clear understanding of different genres and styles of theatre. Understanding of 'stylistic features.' Exposure to different Musical Theatre repertoire and developing the ability to analyse creative intentions.	An introduction to Musical Theatre Dance styles and repertoire Understanding of key musical theatre acting styles. A clear understanding of different genres and styles of theatre. Understanding of 'stylistic features.' Exposure to different Musical Theatre styles and developing the ability to analyse creative intentions.	Understanding of the layers of text. From page to stage. From understanding of plot, theme, character, context To the direction and production of the words on a stage and the reasoning behind that. To be able to abstract ideas from stimulus. To be able to see beyond what is 'right in front of you' To be able to think deeply and question the obvious. To then be able to portray that deeper knowledge through performance. A	An understanding of Jazz and Rock and Roll dance styles. Studying professional repertoire being able to pick out key features. Aims and intentions: what is Jazz/Rock and Roll dance? Analysis: how do the context, aims and intentions, target audience, and stylistic qualities shape our interpretation of the repertoire? Skills: which skills are essential for an effective performance?	
Skills:	Implementation and understanding	Develop skills and techniques for	Interpretation Selection, application	Interpretation Selection, application	complex idea. Core 2 sees the realisation of page to	Examine professional practitioners' performance work	1
	of the key drama skills.	performance Dance vocabulary, Performance skills	and evaluation of vocal skills, physical skills, and	and evaluation of vocal skills, physical skills, and	stage through acting skills	Understanding of key professional practitioners' performance work preparing them for exam success.	

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	Use of skills and	and an	spatial skills (stamina,	spatial skills (stamina,	Component 2 sees	Research and interpretation.
	implementation	understanding of	accent and dialect etc.)	timing etc.)	the understanding of	Selection, application and evaluation of
	into a coherent	urban/street dance.	Collaboration/teamwork	Collaboration/teamwork	the creative process.	physical skills, and spatial skills (impetus,
	story	Selection,	Reviewing (Identify	Reviewing (Identify	Looking deeper into	motif development etc.)
		application and	success criteria)	success criteria)	the process of	Selection, application and evaluation of
		evaluation of	Peer/self-assessment	Peer/self-assessment	devising.	stylistic exercises and techniques (core
		interpretative skills,	Confidence in	Confidence in	Research and	strengthening, isolations etc.)
		physical skills, and	performing to an	performing to an	interpretation	Interpersonal and collaboration
		spatial skills (floor	audience.	audience.	Performance of a	Target-setting
		plans, alignment	Audience skills.	Audience skills.	section of the script	Evaluation
		etc.)			to prove	
					understanding of	
					common lexicon	
Common Lexicon:	Freeze Frame	Unison	Musical Theatre, Triple	Acting through Dance,	Context	Jazz
	Split screen	Canon	Threat	Unison, Cannon	Character	Isolations
	Thought tracking	Repetition	Acting, Narrative,	Dynamics, Gestural, Kick	Theme	Jazz Square
	Narration	Isolation	Storytelling	ball change	Direction	Jazz Walks
		Levels	Plot , Gesture, Body	Step ball change,	Proxemics	Unison
		Floor Pattern	Language Caricature,	Movement Memory	Characterisation	Canon
		Attitude Confidence	Accent, Projection	Timing , Jukebox		Rock 'n' Roll
		Travel	Acting through song	Book Musical Concept		Jive
		Dynamics		Musical Orchestra		Hand Jive
		Movement Memory		Target Audience,		Shunt
		Timing		Theme, Purpose		Around the World
				Creative Intention		Side Kicks
						Step ball Change