

Performing Arts KS3

Intent:

Through the Performing Arts, we enable students to strive and to excel; we provide an exciting, ambitious and knowledge-rich curriculum that equips all students with the skills, knowledge and exceptional outcomes they need to make a success of their lives in education, training, employment and personal wellbeing. The Performing Arts curriculum is designed to ensure that:

- We foster a love of the Performing Arts in our students, which inspires and engages them to create, listen and perform.
- Our students are able to use Performing Arts as a tool to learn about themselves and others, through different cultures, traditions and experiences.
- We develop students' cultural capital by exposing them to a wide variety of music, theatre and dance.
- Our students understand and develop the discipline, resilience and independent learning skills required to be in Performing Arts.
- We reinforce the Academy's values and use these as a benchmark to set the highest standards and expectations of our students.
- We ensure our students achieve exceptional outcomes regardless of age, gender, ability, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or economic circumstances.

Term 3	Topic	Theoretical Knowledge	Practical Knowledge
Dance	Dance Styles: Focus: Explore the following styles: Lindy Hop Old Skool Hip Hop Afro Beats	Recognise and appreciate the key features and characteristic styles of Lindy Hop, Old Skool Hip Hop and Afro Beats. Reviewing work and forming critical views	Physical: Posture, strength, coordination, control, spatial awareness, balance, strength, extension, alignment and flexibility. Expressive: Timing, Focus, Fluency, Musicality, dynamics, projection, energy, expression, quality and emphasis. Mental: Remembering sequences. Application of feedback.
Music	Ukulele	Understand how to sight read Ukulele music (tablature)	Strumming and fingerpicking skills / techniques, correct posture, togetherness in ensemble



		Learn about the geography of the ukulele and how they work Retrieve the elements of music through performing; dynamics, tempo and rhythm	performances, pulse and rhythm, expressiveness and dynamics.
Drama		Recognise and appreciate the key features and characteristics of radio drama.	
		Describe features of radio drama using appropriate theatrical vocabulary.	Script writing: Dialogue, stage directions, sound effects, action, character name, transition, narration.
	Radio Drama	Create and perform a radio drama, applying a variety of script writing skills.	Expressive:
		Perform a radio drama, applying a variety of vocal skills.	Pace, fluency, projection, energy, expression, emphasis, accent, rhythm, pause, pitch, quality, tone, volume.
		Reviewing work and forming critical views.	

Key Skills: Listening, Appraising, Composing, Performing. Technology.

Key Knowledge: Harmony, Pitch, Tempo, Dynamics, Timbre, Texture, Instrumentation, Melody, Rhythm and Genre.



