

Drama Road Map

Year 7

Ceremonies: team working skills, developing basic performances for audiences

Characterisation: creating simple characters, sustaining character, creating mood through sound and lighting, improvisation skills

Physical Theatre: exploration of basic non-naturalistic conventions

Melodrama: stock characters, increasing physical expressivity

Staging and Stages: positioning on stage, stage configurations, using script extracts

Commedia dell'Arte: exploring a historical genre, physical characterisation, the use of masks

Humpty Dumpty: staging a play text, devising drama, non-naturalistic staging, use of sound and lighting to support a text

Shakespeare: physical interpretation of texts, development of vocal skills

Year 8

Physical Theatre: performance style of Stephen Berkoff, symbolic representations

Full face Masks: Physical characterisation, how to animate the masks, staging and development of scenarios

Soap Opera: Naturalism, in depth character work, structuring story

Year 9

Comedy: genre elements, different styles, use of form to define genre

Shakespeare: Blank verse, further development of vocal skills, Thrust staging

Shakespeare: Contemporary relevance, staging and characterisation, 'Hamlet'

Year 10

Theatre History

Brecht: introduction to Brecht and Epic Theatre techniques, Brechtian texts, applying Epic structuring to performance

The Bentley Case: exploring character, empathy, structuring using non-naturalistic techniques

Devising: developing performance from stimuli, utilising a variety of naturalistic and non-naturalistic forms

Stanislavski: characterisation techniques

Monologues and Duologues: characterisation, performance

Set Text: the play and playwright in context, practical exploration, exam question preparation

Devised Project

Script Unit: different genres and periods, play selection and script analysis

Mock exam revision and preparation

Self Assessment of Devised Project

Year 11

Log Book Development

Final Performances

Theory Revision for Final Exam

GCSE Exams

Post 16

