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KS2	Students don't study Drama at KS3 but some may have experience Drama in the following ways: Students typically have performed in a play/leavers' assembly. They may be familiar with basic Drama games and improvisation skills but experience will be varied. Students generally have a willingness to perform in front of an audience when they reach us in Year 7. Working in groups or teams is likely to have been explicitly taught.					
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7	 To a reasonable standard, students will learn to: Use Drama techniques to communicate meaning. Use language to communicate character. Perform in a range of styles and genres. Evaluate and analyse their work both orally and in writing. 	 We want students to be able to: Appreciate the power of performance in understanding the human condition. Develop the ability to see the world from different perspectives. Understand that human behaviour communicates meaning. Exploring the basic theatrical conventions and performance skills will mean that students: 	Gait Gesture Mannerism Posture Tone Script Freeze-frame Step-out Stage configurations Stage positioning	Genre Communication Performance Performance skills Body Language Facial Expression Energy Pantomime Commedia Dell'art Mummer plays Melodrama	Reading Specialist teacher knowledge Reading scripted extracts e.g. Cinderella. Stretch & Challenge – independent research and questioning. Writing Students will be able to evaluate and	Term 2 & 6 Practical Assessment using the Technique Toolkit. Written Assessment -Live heater Evaluation.
	Styles Devised Performance; Genres of performance; Scripted performance; Dramatic skills	 develop confidence and communication skills, learn basic stagecraft 			analyse their work both orally and in writing. Differentiation – Writing frame,	

Techniques

Freeze-frame; Step-out; Narration; Stock Characters; Split-stage; Stage configurations; Stage positioning

Performance Skills

Physical: Body language; Gait; Gesture; Mannerism; Energy; Posture; Facial expression

Vocal: Volume; Diction; Tone

Protected Characteristics-

Marriage & Civil Partnerships & Sexual **Orientation-**Students will be exploring marriage when they look at Cinderella as part of the Script & Character (Block 3-4). Whilst delivering this SOW, students will explore marriage and civil partnership discrimination and sexual orientation discrimination.

Race, Sex, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Pregnancy & Religion-Students will be exploring Christianity as part of the Genres unit (Block 3). Students study *Mummer* plays in this topic. Students will explore similar plays which are used by other religious groups.

Students will be presented with a range of visual images displayed on PPT and printed resources. Teachers to ensure that these images present a wide range of people from different religions, races, sex, gender reassignment, pregnancy and disabilities. These will be explicit during Toolkit and Live Theatre Evaluation SOW (Block 1 & 4)

gain control of the building blocks of any performance work

Students will build a bank of basic drama physical and vocal skills that are applicable both in Drama and in life

systematic guides, templates, choice of media.

Oracy

Learning to evaluate peer performances through using the Rules for speaking (use of formal language, eye contact, key vocabulary, projection, full sentences, replacing fillers, reading with expression & listen carefully). Students will also be expected to use Thought Stems, Paraphrasing, Sophisticated **Synonyms** frequently in their drama lessons to communicate understanding and to challenge their ability to orate. Speech during performances i.e. consideration for the best use of tone, expression etc. Students will be challenged to use Relentless Redrafting to ensure that their verbal communication is clear and constantly challenged to meet high expectations.

Year	What do students learn?	Why?	Tier 3 keywords	Threshold	Literacy	Assessment
				concepts		
8	To a good standard, students will learn	We want students to be able to:	Pitch	Performance	Reading	Term 2 & 6
	to:		Pace	styles	Specialist teacher	
		Appreciate and master the power of	Pause	Evaluative Skills	knowledge	Written Assessment
	1. Use our voice to create meaning.	performance in understanding the human	Accent	Analytical Skills	Reading Shakespeare	-Live theater
	2. Take language from the page to	condition.	Timing	Physical and Vocal	play extracts, poems	Evaluation.
	the stage.	Develop the ability to see the world from	Intonation	Skills.	for stimuli.	
	3. Perform in a range of styles using	different perspectives in more challenging	Emphasis		Stretch & Challenge –	Practical Assessment
	stimuli to devise theatre.		Dialect		independent research	using a range of
	4. Evaluate and analyse their work	contexts such including historical and	Enunciation		and questioning.	vocal skills.
	-	geographical.	Diction			vocar skins.
	both orally and in writing.	Gain an understanding of English cultural	Annunciation		Writing	
		heritage by exposing them to outstanding			Students will be able	
	Styles	writing.			to evaluate and	
	Shakespeare	 Understand that human behaviour 			analyse their work	
	•	communicates meaning and be able to			both orally and in	
	Performance skills (new for Y8)	creatively interpret this through			writing.	
	Vocal: Pitch; Pace; Pause; Accent;	performance.			Differentiation –	
	Timing; Intonation; Emphasis	challenge their self-consciousness by			Writing frame,	
		stepping out of their comfort zone			systematic guides,	
	Protected Characteristics:	empathising with characters different from			templates, choice of	
	- rotested Characteristics	themselves			media.	
	Age- Students explore Voice, during	Develop the ability to control their voice in			Oracy	
	this SOW students will consider people	performance and in everyday life.			Learning to evaluate	
	of different ages. At this point, teachers				peer performances	
	will explore age discrimination. (Block				through using the	
	<mark>8)</mark>				Rules for speaking	
					(use of formal	
	Race & Religion-Students in Y8 will				language, eye contact,	
	explore Shakespeare extracts, including				key vocabulary,	
	Othello & A Merchant of Venice. Here				projection, full	
	we will explore the themes of race and				sentences, replacing	
	religion. (Block 6)				fillers, reading with	
					expression & listen	
	Race, Sex, Disability, Gender				carefully).	
	Reassignment, Pregnancy & Religion-				Students will also be	
	Students will be presented with a range				expected to use	
	of visual images displayed on PPT and				Thought Stems,	
	printed resources. Teachers to ensure				Paraphrasing,	
	that these images present a wide range				Sophisticated	
	of people from different religions,				Synonyms frequently	

	races, sex, gender reassignment, pregnancy and disabilities. These will be explicit during Devising SOW and Live Theatre Evaluation SOW (Block 5& 7)				in their drama lessons to communicate understanding and to challenge their ability to orate. Speech during performances i.e. consideration for the best use of tone, expression etc. Students will be challenged to use Relentless Redrafting to ensure that their verbal communication is clear and constantly challenged to meet high expectations.	
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9	To a very good standard, students will learn to: 1. Exploration of a Set text (Hansel and Gretel) through a practical and theoretical point of view. 3. Explore GCSE style questions which will enable students to describe, explain and analyse how they would stage their Set text. 5. Use a range of stimuli and explore a variety of theatre practitioners such as Brecht, Artaud, Stanislavski and Frantic Assembly to create a piece of original theatre. 6. Analyse their response to a range of stimuli and theatrical conventions of different	 To use their creative skills to create imaginative pieces of drama based on a given stimulus. This will enable students to work together in groups using collaboration, communication skills, problem solving to create meaningful pieces of drama, which will showcase their knowledge, skills and understanding of a range of theatrical conventions and performance skills. To explore the social, cultural and historical context in which the performance texts studied are set which enables students to understand human behaviour from a range of periods, social settings and cultures. 	Genre Structure Character Form Practitioner Theatrical Conventions	Devising from stimuli Historical context Themes Motifs Character Analysis	Reading Specialist teacher knowledge Reading play extracts from Hansel & Gretel, stimuli e.g. newspaper articles, diary entries and poems. Writing Students will be able to describe, explain, evaluate and analyse through a wide range of written tasks. Oracy Learning to evaluate peer performances through using the Rules for speaking (use of formal	Tern 2 & 6 Practical assessment of a piece of theatre using the theatrical conventions of a chosen practitioner. Written assessment where students are answering GCSE style questions on a set text.

	practitioners to create a piece of devised theatre. Protected Characteristics: Age & Gender- Students explore Hansel & Gretel in Block 11. Here students will consider why the witch is always depicted as old and female. This is an opportunity to explore these protected characteristics & the discrimination of these. Race, Religion, Sex, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Pregnancy & Religion-Students will be presented with a range of stimuli in Block 10. These PCs will be displayed on PPT and printed resources. Teachers to ensure that these images present a wide range of people from different religions, races, sex, gender reassignment, pregnancy and disabilities. These will be explicit during Devising SOW.	Appreciate that Drama has many forms and there are many ways in which to communicate meaning when exploring different conventions associated with each practitioner.			language, eye contact, key vocabulary, projection, full sentences, replacing fillers, reading with expression & listen carefully). Students will also be expected to use Thought Stems, Paraphrasing, Sophisticated Synonyms frequently in their drama lessons to communicate understanding and to challenge their ability to orate. Speech during performances i.e. consideration for the best use of tone, expression etc. Students will be challenged to use Relentless Redrafting to ensure that their verbal communication is clear and constantly challenged to meet high expectations.	
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10	AQA GCSE Component 1 Understanding Drama (written) Students will explore Willy Russell's Blood Brothers. Students will gain knowledge and understanding of the context, themes, motifs, characters, practical demands; including lighting,	Students will develop their knowledge and understanding of the characteristics and context of Blood Brothers; exploring their ideas for how the play may be interpreted practically which encourages students to think like a director as well as a performer.	Form Style Language Sub-text Character motivation Interaction	Response to stimulus Reflection Analysis Context Evaluation	Reading Specialist teacher knowledge Reading set text, Blood Brothers Writing	Component 2- Devising Drama Final performance and assessment of a piece of devised theatre

	component 2 Devising Drama (Practical) Students will explore a range of stimuli and theatrical conventions to create performance of devised drama. Students will learn to reflect on the devising process using analysing and evaluation. Age,Race, Sex, Disability, Sexual Orientation, Marriage & Civil Partnerships, Pregnancy & Religion-Students will be exploring the Holocaust. We will explicitly investigate how minority groups of people were treated and victimised. (Component 2)	 Students will learn how to practically explore Blood Brothers as well as how to articulate their ideas through a written format. Students to create a piece of Drama that enables them to use their imaginations, show case their performance skills whilst working in a group. Students will demonstrate their interpretation of a given stimulus. Students will develop their ability to critically reflect on their work using analysis and evaluation, providing them with key life skills to enable progression. 	Mood and atmosphere Development of pace and rhythm Dramatic climax Stage directions		Students will be able to respond to their devised theatre pieces through analysis and evaluation Oracy Providing critical evaluation whereby students learn how to articulate performance pieces using key terms and definitions, focussing on intentions in response to directorial/practitioner influences.	Y10 PPE-Component 3 Texts in Practice and Component 1 Understanding Drama
Year	What do students learn?	Why?	Tier 3 keywords	Threshold concepts	Literacy	Assessment
11	GCSE AQA DRAMA Component 1 Understanding Drama (Written) Students will further gain knowledge and understanding of drama and theatre. Students will refine their analysis and evaluation of the work of live theatre makers.	Students will watch a piece of Live Theatre using analysis and evaluative skills to help them breakdown the semiotics of the performance.	Upstage (left, right, centre) Downstage (left, right, centre) Centre stage. Theatre in the round Proscenium arch Thrust stage Traverse	Demonstration of Knowledge and Understanding of Drama and Theatre Analysis Evaluation	Reading Specialist teacher knowledge Reading set text, Blood Brothers and selected play extracts, including Monsters, Girl Like That and Blackout.	Term 2 Y11 PPE Component 3-Texts in Practice Term 3 Y11 PPE Component 1- Understanding Drama
	Component 3 Texts in Practice (Practical)	Students will display their theatrical skills and performance skills to show	End on staging Promenade Stage Manager Director		Writing Students will apply their knowledge and	

Students will demonstrate their	how they have interpreted the	Performer	understanding of
knowledge, skills and understanding of	characters and relationships in a play	Lighting Designer	Theatre Roles and
drama and apply this to a performance	helping them understand human	Technician	Responsibilities, Blood
of one extracts from one play	behaviour further.	Sound Designer	Brothers through
	benaviour farther.	Theatre Manager	written evaluation and
Protected Characteristics:		Usher	analysis.
		Genre	
Age, Race, Sex, Disability, Sexual		Structure	Oracy
Orientation, Marriage & Civil		Character	Articulation of
Partnerships, Pregnancy & Religion-		Form	understanding using
For Component 3 students will explore		Style	appropriate subject
a range of text written about and by		Language	terminology
people from different minority groups.		Sub-text	
		Character	
		motivation	
		Interaction	
		Mood and	
		atmosphere	
		Development of	
		pace and rhythm	
		Dramatic climax	
		Stage directions	