

Qualification: GCSE Drama

Exam Board: Eduqas

Why study GCSE Drama?

GCSE Drama is an inspiring and practical subject for students who enjoy performing, creating, and exploring the world through theatre. It encourages imagination, confidence, and collaboration, allowing learners to express themselves while developing a deeper understanding of dramatic techniques and storytelling. Whether you're interested in acting, directing, or design, Drama offers a space to grow creatively and personally.

What will I learn?

Students will explore a range of performance styles, texts, and techniques. Throughout the course, students will build skills in teamwork, communication, and creative thinking as well as:

- -Develop acting and performance skills through practical workshops.
- -Create original Drama pieces in response to themes or stimuli.
- -Study a set play and learn how to interpret it for performance.
- -Analyse live theatre and understand how Drama communicates meaning.

How will the course be structured?

Students will have two lessons per week. Lessons will include practical rehearsals, script work, group projects, and theatre analysis. Over the three years, students will study three components:

- **1. Devising Theatre (40%)** Students create and perform an original piece of Drama, produce a written portfolio and complete an evaluation reflecting on the process.
- **2. Performing from a Text (20%)** Students perform two extracts from a published play to a visiting examiner.
- **3.Interpreting Theatre (40%)** A written exam based on the study of set text and an analysis of a live theatre production.



How will I be assessed?

Assessment is a mix of practical work and written reflection:

- **-60% of the final grade** comes from Non-Exam Assessment (NEA), which includes devising and performing.
- **-40% is assessed through a written exam**, where students analyse a play and evaluate live theatre.

Students are assessed on creativity, performance, interpretation, and their ability to reflect critically on their work.

What career opportunities are there?

GCSE Drama can lead to further study in performing arts, theatre, or media. It supports careers in:

- Acting and Directing
- Stage Management and Technical Theatre
- Drama Therapy
- Teaching and Education
- Film, TV, and Radio
- Event Production and Arts Administration

It also builds transferable skills such as confidence, public speaking, empathy, and collaboration.

How can I get further information?

Please speak to **Miss Hale** or **Mrs. Bourne** for more details about the course and how it fits into your options.