

Dance Department Intent

The Dance department aims to inspire and support students of their understanding of dance within the Performing Arts. The dance curriculum focuses on 4 important areas within KS3: physical ability, choreography techniques, performing to an audience and evaluation skills. These 4 areas are developed and reinforced throughout KS3 to enhance their dance ability ready for progression into KS4. These units are relevant to cultural capital and the world around them and are developing these 4 skills through relatable topics. They are also planned to support cross curricular (drama, music, maths, geography, etc) so students can transfer these skills from a wide variety of lessons from within their dance education.

Within KS4 students use the 4 important skills learnt in KS3 to deepen and enhance their understanding of dance and can relate these techniques into assignments, professional works and purposeful tasks.

As a department we want to encourage students to learn through extracurricular opportunities to help embed skills learnt in lessons. This also includes reaching out to those who want to be part of behind the scenes for example a lead teacher/choreographer or a music/lighting technician.

We promote the variety of benefits that dance education gives; benefitting students physical and mental wellbeing, building on their self-confidence and belief to best prepare them for their future.