Drama Curriculum Intent

Drama is a universal language that embodies creativity and communication. Drama education should be practical and engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of Drama and their talent as actors, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity, collaborative skills and build a sense of achievement which are essential skills for them to succeed and prepare them for life beyond school.

In our specific location the majority have little prior knowledge of the history of Drama (especially local history) and our curriculum adds to their cultural capital as well as preparing them with essential skills in communication for work.

As students' progress, they will develop a critical engagement with Drama, allowing them to rehearse, perform, and evaluate a wide range of Drama genres.

The KS3 topics are be categorised in three disciplines, Devised work, Scripted Work and Physical skills. They are explored by making, performing and evaluating and have been sequenced so that they increase in challenge and skill level through Years 7, 8 and 9.

In Year 9, students can choose to study Drama at KS4 starting in Year 10 allowing them to participate in a coursework based performing art.

Participation, performance and personalised progression extend beyond the classroom. Drama clubs run in Key Stage 3, a technical Drama club is starting later in the year and whole school productions will begin again in 22/23.

Purpose of Drama:

- 1. To develop communication.
- 2. Engage and inspire pupils.
- 3. Develop a love of Drama.
- 4. Develop talent as an actor.
- 5. Increase self-confidence, creativity, collaborative skills and a sense of achievement.
- 6. Develop physical and vocal control and skill.
- 7. Allow students to rehearse creatively with others.
- 8. Allow students to perform.
- 9. Develop students' ability to listen and feedback to others.