

Year 7

Performing Arts



Students in Year 7 have 4 lessons per fortnight in Performing Arts. Each cycle will consist of one Dance, one Drama, one Music lesson and a theory lesson. Over the year the students will develop and build basic skills in Performing Arts and learn how each of the disciplines link together. The students will share work they have been working on in class to others in their year group in a sharing lesson at the end of the topics, and the year will culminate in a spectacular finish which last year involved students taking part in a circus skills workshop.

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Theme	Europe	Antarctica	Asia	N. America	Africa	S. America
Dance	Introduction to dance using the music of the Beatles	Developing dance performance skills using Happy Feet music	Developing choreographic skills using the genre of Chinese dance	Developing Street dance skills	Introduction to African dance and developing African Dance skills	Developing skills in capoeira and progressing chorographic skills
Drama	Introduction to Drama using the music of the Beatles	Storytelling Theatre using the story of The Christmasaurus	Developing physical theatre skills and applying them to performance work inspired by Chinese New Year	Introduction to characterisation and script work. Performing scenes from High School Musical	Introduction to characterisation and script work. Performing scenes from High School Musical	Introduction to Boal and the Theatre of the Oppressed
Music	Keyboard and Singing using the music of the Beatles	Ukulele and singing winter inspired songs/music	Understanding and identifying Chinese musical instruments. Composing Chinese music to tell a story	Understanding the background and history of rap music and writing their own rap song	Understanding African music and learning to play the African Drums	Samba music. Learning to play instruments in a Samba band
Passport	Understanding the elements of music	Identifying the elements of music in performance	Understanding the elements of Dance	Identifying the elements of dance in performance	Understanding the elements of Drama	Identifying the elements of Drama in performance