

Drama / Year 7 / 2022 — 2023

Year 7	Rotation 1 – Basic Drama Techniques	Rotation 2 – Chicken / A Midsummer Night's Dream
Curriculum Content	Composite 1: Create and perform a devised piece of drama using basic drama techniques. Component 1: Understand the technique of Still Image and its effect. Component 2: Understand the technique of Thought Aloud and its effect. Component 3: Create a piece of devised theatre using the techniques of Still Image and Thought Aloud. Component 4: Perform a piece of devised theatre using the techniques of Still Image and Thought Aloud.	Composite 1: Study and perform an extract from the play Chicken by Mark Wheeller. Component 1: Gain an understanding of Section 1 of the TIE play Chicken and the character relationships. Component 2: Gain an understanding of Section 2 and 3 of the play and character motivation. Component 3: Gain an understanding of Section 5 of the play and explore ways of performing it. Component 4: Explore the practical skill of voice. Component 5: Perform an extract from the play for assessment. Composite 2: Analyse and evaluate the technical skills from a performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream. Component 6: Develop an understanding of the use of costume/set/lighting and its use in a performance
Prior knowledge and skills (from previous rotation / year / key stage)	Formal presentations. Debating opportunities. Reading and rehearsing poems and plays for presentation and performance	Knowledge learnt in Year 7 Rotation 1 Knowledge of Still Image and Though Aloud. Rehearsing and performing drama as a class A Midsummer Night's Dream is studied in English in Year 7.
Vocabulary / Key Subject Terminology	Tier 3 Vocabulary Still Image - (prior knowledge, live model, duel coding) Proxemics - (morphology, live model, duel coding) Levels - (live model, duel coding) Thought Aloud - (morphology, duel coding, live model) Stimulus - (etymology, synonyms, antonyms)	Tier 3 Vocabulary Split-scene - (video model, duel coding, live model) Cross-cutting - (video model, duel coding, live model) Character Motivation - (morphology, prior knowledge) Tone - (duel coding, prior knowledge, live model) Tempo - (duel coding, prior knowledge, live model) Pitch - (duel coding, prior knowledge, live model) Emphasis - (duel coding, prior knowledge, live model)
Practical Assessment	Students perform a devised piece, using the techniques of still image (facial expression, body language, levels and proxemics) and thought aloud.	Students perform an extract from the play, using the techniques of split-scene and cross-cutting and the performance skill of voice.
Written Assessment	Students explain in a written answer how ideas been created and how the techniques of still image and thought aloud been incorporated in the piece Still Image and Thought Aloud Quiz scores will also be considered as part of the assessment.	Students answer a question about character motivation. Students answer a question identifying what vocal skills they would use to perform a line from the play. Students answer a question based on costume, set and lighting used in a performance. Chicken Quiz scores will also be considered as part of the assessment.
Cross Curricular Links with other Faculties	English: Formal presentations, Reading and rehearsing poems and plays for presentation and performance. Oracy tasks. Exploring a Character. Narrative Structure. Dramatic Irony. PSHE: Debating opportunities. BV: Individual Liberty – Component 1 themed around the topic of bullying.	Music: Musical Elements of tone, tempo and pitch. English: A Midsummer Night's Dream is studied in English in Year 7, Formal presentations, Reading and rehearsing poems and plays for presentation and performance. Oracy tasks. PSHE: Road Safety and Peer Pressure. BV: Rule of Law – Component 3 is an opportunity for discussion around character's choice to film someone on their phone and the consequences of his choice to hide the evidence. Careers: Students explore the occupations of a costume, set and lighting designer.

Knowledge Organiser content	Tier 3 Vocabulary. Body Language examples. Facial Expression examples. Levels examples. Proxemics examples. Internet links to research.	Chicken scene summary. Character list. Tier 3 Vocabulary. Vocal skills. Design elements vocabulary. Internet links research and videos of Chicken, techniques, vocal exercises, performing a scripted piece, A Midsummer Night's Dream, set/costume/lighting design
Extra-Curricular Offer	KS3 Drama Club – Use of techniques learnt during this rotation to produce a performance from another style of play. Students may also research and perform other plays form the same or different genres School Shows Theatre Trips Visiting theatre companies and workshops	