

Curriculum Intent Statements

Faculty	Creative Arts				
Subject	Drama				
<p>The vision for Drama at The Wells Academy lies wholly within the belief that every single child should have access to a world-leading, enriching, and holistic arts experience. Typically, Drama is not something that students will have much experience of in their educational journey before starting at The Wells Academy. Therefore, students gain an introductory set of skills before expanding their knowledge in both theoretical and practical abilities. Currently only taught in year 7 and 8, drama has been reintroduced into the curriculum with all year 7 and 8 students receiving one lesson per week. This subject has proved to be popular, and we hope to secure a KS4 options group</p> <p>Drama is such an important subject for students to learn through the lens of teaching vital soft skills which employers are looking for such as teamwork, independence, communication, leadership, delegation, and confidence. However, it is also encouraging students to reflect and critically evaluate through oracy. Students not only achieve practically and succeed but they are taught to use higher order thinking skills to evaluate and use key terminology succinctly. For example, students will perform at the end of every term and are then requested to reflect and evaluate on their learning journey.</p> <p>Students in all year groups study a wide range of skills, texts, practitioners, and genres before branching into more detailed work through their academic journey. The sequence of learning for students at The Wells Academy is meticulously planned to ensure that every year group and students have the ability to build on what they have previously learned. Students develop a range of skills at KS3 that enables them to succeed at KS4.</p> <p>Year 7 start by looking at Ancient Greek Theatre, before branching out into more varied and modern texts such as Roald Dahl stories and historical contexts such as Children of War and Shakespeare. Year 8 further the foundational skills learned in year 7 by looking at key texts such as Dracula, Refugee Boy and even learn how to debate and engage in public speaking skills before culminating the year in a performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream from Shakespeare.</p> <p>We also offer a variety of extra-curricular opportunities throughout the year including two school shows which are open to all year groups, a talent show, showcase evenings and drama clubs for KS3 and KS4.</p>					
Curriculum Time / Week	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
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KS4 Qualifications					
Useful Learning Resources					
Staff teaching the subject	Role		Email		
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