

Year 8 Curriculum Overview Plan: Performing Arts

Dance Topic 1	Dance Topic 2	Musical Theatre Topic 1	Musical Theatre Topic 2	Drama Topic 1	Drama Topic 2
Key Theme: Urban The use of stimuli. Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: To understand	Key Theme: Exploring Physical Theatre Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded:	Key Theme: Exploring 'Juke Box' Musicals Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: Develop	Key Theme: Film & Concept Musicals Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded:	Key Theme: Drama techniques & Abandonment Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded:	Key Theme: Blood Brothers Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: Students will
different types of stimuli To explore Action space dynamics based on a stimuli To create choreography to communicate an intention. Develop choreographic devices through motif development. Using the professional works performed by Hip hop company Boy	Execution of skills/techniques performing. Creating/ decision making Application of compositional ideas Performing, analysing and evaluating performances Linking to the professional work	understanding of Juke Box Musicals. Work in the role of performer to learn, explore, rehearse and perform musical theatre material based on different artists from a variety of genres and eras. Musical Theatre skills - acting through in ensemble, how to create a character (vocal, body, gesture)	Develop understanding of Concept Musicals with a focus on social & historical background. Musical Theatre skills - understanding script, improvisation, characterisation.	Development of key skills through the exploration of Drama techniques. Performing with considered sensitivity using sympathy and empathy throughout their approach. The freedom to create their own dialogue through devising means that they need to be mature and thoughtful.	understand how to use stage positions, stage directions and configurations which are appropriate to play. In this SOW, students will develop character and relationships between characters for on stage performance applying performance skills which are appropriate to their role.



	Practical exploration			
	of Our House and			
	Mamma Mia.			
	Musical Theatre skills			
	 use of gesture, gait, 			
	voice, body to create			
	a credible character.			
Links to Prior	Links to Prior	Links to Prior	Links to Prior	Links to Prior
Learning:	Learning:	Learning:	Learning:	Learning:
	•	•	_	Script work,
Safety in the studio	•			Improvisation, Still
Execution of Action	• •	'	,	images Monologues,
Space and Dynamics	•	• •		Sustained focus, Role
,	Theatre skills	skills from what is		Play, Rehearsal.
	explored in year 7.	previously taught.		,,
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Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment
Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:
mini key assessment	Mid-term review of	Mid-term review	Mini key assessment	Mid-term review of
•	workshops regarding	with whole class	•	rehearsal of mothers'
	an ensemble from 1	teacher feedback of	·	scene with teacher
with whole class	jukebox musical with	historical context	whole class feedback.	whole class feedback
feedback	whole class feedback	learnt so far	Filmed assessment of	Filmed assessment of
Filmed assessment of	Filmed key	Filmed key	abandonment	the brothers meeting
own physical theatre	assessment of	•	project applying the	scene and the end of
	Musical theatre piece	· ·		the unit
· ·	•	•	independently at the	
, 5			end of the unit	
	Space and Dynamics Key Assessment Pieces: mini key assessment review of physical theatre workshops with whole class feedback	of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Safety in the studio Execution of Action Space and Dynamics Further development of practical Musical Theatre skills explored in year 7. Key Assessment Pieces: mini key assessment review of physical theatre workshops with whole class feedback Filmed assessment of own physical theatre performance piece of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Safety in the studio Types of Musicals Further development of practical Musical Theatre skills explored in year 7.	of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Safety in the studio Execution of Action Space and Dynamics Key Assessment Pieces: mini key assessment review of physical theatre workshops with whole class feedback Filmed assessment of own physical theatre performance piece applying all skills of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Apply skills and further develop creativity, rehearsal and performance skills from what is previously taught. Key Assessment Pieces: Mid-term review of workshops regarding an ensemble from 1 jukebox musical with whole class teacher feedback of historical context learnt so far Filmed key assessment piece of a concept musical, applying script,	of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Safety in the studio Types of Musicals Further development of practical Musical Theatre skills explored in year 7. Key Assessment Pieces: mini key assessment review of feedback Fellmed key assessment of own physical theatre performance piece applying all skills of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Apply skills and further develop creativity, rehearsal and performance skills from what is previously taught. Key Assessment Pieces: Mid-term review of workshops regarding an ensemble from 1 jukebox musical with whole class feedback Filmed assessment of Musical theatre piece applying all skills of Our House and Mamma Mia. Musical Theatre skills - use of gesture, gait, voice, body to create a credible character. Links to Prior Learning: Apply skills and further develop creativity, rehearsal and performance skills from what is previously taught. Key Assessment Pieces: Mid-term review with whole class teacher feedback of historical context learnt so far Filmed key assessment of abandonment project applying the techniques independently at the



	learnt previous at the end of the unit	emphasis of performance skills and the end of the unit.	improvisation, characterisation. and the end of the unit.		
Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: Improvisation Motif Transition Choreographic intention Action Space Dynamic Stimuli Control Extension Rehearsal	Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: physical theatre Action Space Dynamics Contact Balance Transition Parkour Stimulus	Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: Juke Box Artist Genre	Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: Improvisation Characterisation Script	Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: Characterisation, Devising from stimuli, Props, Costume, Set, Creativity, Imagination.	Tier 3 Vocabulary Vault: Naturalism Still image, Thought Track, Narration, Flashback/Flash forward, Physical Theatre, Ensemble. Improvisation, Stimulus, Teacher in role, hot seating
Reading Exposure: Choreographic intention of professional works	Reading Exposure: Own research into parkour PowerPoint slides in class	Reading Exposure: Scripts and lyrics from Our House (by Madness) and Mamma Mia (by Abba)	Reading Exposure: Reading script for understanding, Research and lyrics from Hairspray and Little Shop of Horrors.	Reading Exposure: Reading the script for understanding.	Reading Exposure: Reading the script for understanding.



Strategies to enable new concepts, new concepts, new concepts, new concepts, new concepts, new concepts, knowledge & skills to embed in longto embed in longterm memory: term memory: term memory: term memory: term memory: term memory: Workshops to Workshops to Workshops and Workshops and Workshops Communication, explore creativity explore creativity rehearsals to learn & rehearsals to learn & Devising using Time Management, explore different with performance with performance explore Musical strategies in different Stage configurations, opportunities in class opportunities in class styles and genres of Theatre works with contexts. Stage positions, for peer and self-Musical Theatre. different contexts entrances and exits. for peer and self-Performance assessment. assessment. both socially and Mood and tension, Rehearsal and Rehearsal and opportunities in historically. team work and mental skill mental skill Performance classwork for peer patience. Naturalism is the development development and self-assessment. opportunities in Research tasks style which reflects Research tasks Research tasks classwork for peer Do it now recall Do it now recall Do it now recall and self-assessment. real life. An audience Research tasks should reflect how a Questioning Questioning Questioning Do it now recall person would behave Questioning Remote and and respond in real promoted personal life. To do this, an research study -Remote and actor will undergo a create a fact file of an promoted personal series of methods and artist/group linked to research study techniques to create a Juke Box Musical Create a profile of character. including their songs different Musical and career. Theatre performances with different contextual backgrounds.

