

Year 7 Curriculum Overview Plan: Performing Arts

Dance Topic 1	Dance Topic 2	Musical Theatre	Musical Theatre	Drama Topic 1	Drama Topic 2
		Topic 1	Topic 2		
Key Theme: Introduction to Dance superheroes and potentially Nutcracker	Key Theme: Dance around the world	Key Theme: Introduction to Musical Theatre	Key Theme: Explore & Create	Key Theme: Basic skills & Pantomime	Key Theme: Darkwood Manor and Bugsy
Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: To develop an understanding of ACTIONS, SPACE, DYNAMICS & RELATIONSHIPS through the theme of Superheroes and villains. Students will also have the option to be introduced to the Professional choreographer Matthew Bourne and appreciating his work Nutcracker	Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: A series of workshops to explore dance through a variety of different styles from around the world. This will encourage diversity and cultural awareness.	Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: To develop understanding of Book Musicals and a focus on musicals by Andrew Lloyd Webber, work in an Ensemble. Students will be introduced to three musicals and develop ensemble skills including responding to direction, acting through and rehearsal skills	Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: Application of new- found rehearsal and performance skills. Developing creativity and confidence in small groups. Small group work and professional job roles within rehearsal and performance of 'The Greatest Showman'.	Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: Introduction to drama skills through storytelling and devising - Looking at stock characters of a pantomime, creating their own scene based on the fairytale Snow white. They will be encouraged to challenge others' ideas and give their own creative and imaginative ideas.	Key Concepts, Knowledge & Skills to be Embedded: During this SOW, students will engage in the art of theatre making, using devising processes, techniques for performance and character development activities. Introduction to script work. Students will have the first sense of being able to recreate other characters who have



Students will develop their performance and choreographic skills through learning repertoire and creating their own versions of sweet dances.		through learning Musical Theatre numbers in different styles. These include; Oliver - Looking at the context of a musical. Cats - Physicalization of character. Safety and the environment. Work in the role of a performer, teacher in role as a Director/ Choreographer and Musical Director.			different personalities and have differing back stories. They will be encouraged to challenge others' ideas and give their own creative and imaginative ideas.
Links to Prior Learning: KS2 NC Develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance. perform dances using a range of movement patterns	Links to Prior Learning: Action space and dynamic qualities will be developed from the previous scheme. Choreography influences and intentions of traditions.	Links to Prior Learning: KS2 Music – Singing	Links to Prior Learning: Application of rehearsal and performance skills developed in Topic 1. Exploration of job roles from Topic 1.	Links to Prior Learning: KS2 - Characterization, developing understanding of drama specific language.	Links to Prior Learning: Application of the basic skills from topic 1



Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment	Key Assessment
Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:	Pieces:
Filmed Mini key	Mini key assessment	Mini key assessment	Mini key assessment	Mini key assessment	Mini key assessment
assessment of	of dance around the	of one or more of the	regarding roles of	Performance of the	Performance devised
adaptations to the	world formative	MT productions with	production with	snow-white fairytale	through Darkwood
superhero motif.	assessment with	whole class feedback	whole class feedback	with narration.	manor
Students will receive	whole class feedback	halfway through and	halfway through and	students will receive	demonstrating
teacher whole class	own choreography of	Filmed Key	Filmed Key	whole class feedback	understanding of
feedback halfway to	chosen dance style	assessment piece of	assessment piece of	to identify targets for	skills from different
identify targets for	shouting	final chosen musical	the greatest	improvement. The	scenes students will
improvement. At the	choreographic	theatre context the	showman the end of	pantomime SOW will	receive whole class
end of the unit there	devices such as	end of the unit	the unit	lead to a	feedback to identify
will be a filmed key	canon unison			performance that will	targets for
assessment piece of	formation			be	improvement. The
a developed	Filmed Key			Filmed for the	Bugsy Malone SOW
superheroes motif or	assessment piece the			students' key	will lead to a
the Nutcracker	end of the unit			assessment piece the	performance using
repertoire.				end of the unit	the script from Fat
					Sam's office scene.
					This will be
					Filmed for the
					students' key
					assessment piece the
					end of the unit
Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary
Vault:	Vault:	Vault:	Vault:	Vault:	Vault:
Action	Canon	Ensemble	Warm-up	Improvisation, Mime,	Ensemble
Space	Unison	Focus	Rehearsal Schedule	Freeze frame - Still	Role on the wall
Motif	Bhangra	Rehearsal	Explore	image, Body as prop,	Roleplay



Dynamics	Coordination	Formation	Devise	Storytelling,	Thought track
Audience	Mirroring	Timing	Performance	Narration,	Physical theatre
Canon	Control		Review	Performance,	Flash backs
Unison	Rhythm			Pantomime, stock	Narration Transitions
Formation				characters, slapstick,	Body as prop Script
Projection				Comedy, Script,	Rehearsal stage
				Blocking, Physicality	directions accent,
				Facial Expression,	Hot seating
				Body language, Tone	
Reading Exposure:	Reading Exposure:	Reading Exposure:	Reading Exposure:	Reading Exposure:	Reading Exposure:
Synopsis of	Research into	Synopsis of three	Research of The	Reading of scripts.	Script reading and
Nutcracker Matthew	different cultures and	musicals.	Greatest Showman.		research.
Bourne	traditions	The Book of Practical			
		Cats by T.S Elliot.			
Strategies to enable	Strategies to enable	Strategies to enable	Strategies to enable	Strategies to enable	Strategies to enable
new concepts,	new concepts,	new concepts,	new concepts,	new concepts,	new concepts,
knowledge & skills	knowledge & skills	knowledge & skills	knowledge & skills	knowledge & skills	knowledge & skills
to embed in long-	to embed in long-	to embed in long-	to embed in long-	to embed in long-	to embed in long-
term memory:	term memory:	term memory:	term memory:	term memory:	term memory:
Application of skill	Application of skill	Rehearsal	Application of skill	term memory.	Application of skill
through Physical	through Physical	Techniques	through Physical	Rehearsal	through Physical
exploration	exploration	Repetition	exploration	Techniques	exploration
Do it now recall	Do it now recall	Application of skill	Do it now recall	Repetition	Do it now recall
Low stakes quizzes	Low stakes quizzes	through Physical	Low stakes quizzes	Application of skill	Low stakes quizzes
questioning	questioning	exploration	questioning	through Physical	questioning
=	Rehearsal techniques	I	=	exploration	_



promoted personal promoted personal research study - one musical of choice to reshare with others in the group.	Remote and promoted personal research study - one role of choice weekly - create a fact file to share with others in the group.
---	---