



SMSC in Performing Arts

Spiritual development in Performing Arts

Performing Arts is an exciting and vibrant department that encourages and inspires students to explore their own feelings, beliefs and ideas to find meaning and understanding. Students discover and understand work based on a wide variety of subject matters, multi media & genre. At Key Stage 3 students cover a variety of schemes that drive and accelerate learning. During the lessons students are encouraged to explore a range of perspectives to develop their compassion and empathy for others. At Key Stage 4 &5 students interrogate and create work that inspires and provokes thought and reasoning. Work covered encourages students to question their own beliefs and understand other perspectives. Students regularly reflect on their work, demonstrating their willingness to improve and progress.

Moral development in Performing Arts

As part of the curriculum students in all key stages are regularly given the opportunity and the motivation to investigate and offer reasons about moral and ethical issues. Students are encouraged to see all points of view and begin to understand why everyone is different and unique in their own way. Work created is designed to educate and share knowledge and understanding provoking in depth questioning that leads to understanding the diversity within school. Students are given the opportunity to investigate and study a wide range of practical genres that lead to in-depth research that inspires and accelerates progress. Throughout all key stages students will further be encouraged to take responsibility for their own actions, by learning what is right and wrong through effective communication, cooperation and sensitivity.

Social development in Drama

Students are encouraged to develop empathy through themed collaborative work which requires them to look at a variety of different lifestyles, circumstances & situations from a range of cultures, beliefs, genders & religions. There is a strong mutual respect between students across the department based on a shared desire for success within the Performing Arts and beyond. Students are supported in decision making and respectful of all viewpoints. Students learn the value of self worth and individuality. Personality's are enhanced and enriched during their time at school showcasing independence and freedom.

Cultural development in Performing Arts

All key stages are encouraged to contribute to whole school music showcases and the annual whole-school production. Students are motivated and inspired to show commitment to the project inside and outside of lessons by attending regular rehearsals with energy and enthusiasm. Peripatetic lessons are available to all key stages with emphasis on teamwork, pride and self belief. Regular visits to the theatre gives students the opportunity to experience live theatre in a professional environment where they learn to respect the public and social outside of a school setting.