DRAMA KEY STAGE 3 CURRICULUM

YEAR 9

In every scheme of work students develop the skills of:

COMMUNICATION, CONFIDENCE, COLLABORATION, ANALYSIS, EVALUATION, SELF AWARENESS, RESPONDING TO FEEDBACK, TARGET SETTING, CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM, LEADERSHIP, PROBLEM SOLVING, TIME MANAGEMENT, MOTIVATION, RESILIENCE and many more!

SCHEME	CONTENT	SKILLS / KNOWLEDGE
GETTING TO KNOW YOU	Drama games, baseline assessment	Team building, communication, devising, evaluating, setting targets.
BORSTAL	Students become prisoners in a 1950's borstal. They develop a rounded character over the scheme which culminates in an ambitious monologue in front of the whole class.	Teacher in Role, naturalism, whole class improvisation, self discipline, understanding the structure of a monologue, writing in role, monologue performance, tableaux, snapshot.
	The Teacher in Role plays the part of the uber-strict warden and students must remain in role at all times.	Exploring the themes and issues surrounding crime and punishment.
BLOOD BROTHERS	A thorough exploration of the GCSE set text of Blood Brothers through workshops, study lessons, written exercises, discussions and debates. Students will experience 3 elements of the GCSE course in this scheme – scripted performance, directing a set text and analysing live theatre seen through watching a recording of a live performance of the show.	Analysing text, directing, evaluating live theatre, developing their writing style, understanding Brechtian theatre in performance, contextual understanding, choral speaking, the role of the narrator, keeping an active audience, dramatic irony. Students will explore the themes and issues in the play – class, addiction, superstition.
VERBATIM THEATRE	Students will be taught about the theoretical aspects of Verabtim Theatre and then apply this to a piece that they have devised based on a theme or issue of their choice in a piece of Theatre in Education	Contextual understanding – where Verbatim fits within other types of theatre, Verbatim theatre techniques, sourcing material, adapting material, recorded delivery, political theatre, cross-cutting, using technical elements to create atmosphere, poetry in performance, choral speaking, research, Theatre in Education