



# Course Choice Information – Drama - Higher

## Course Information & Content

Higher Drama develops pupils' knowledge and understanding of theatre, focusing on practical and evaluative skills, as well as knowledge and understanding of drama and its influences.

Higher Drama develops:

- performance and production skills in presenting drama
- the knowledge of social and cultural influences on drama
- an understanding of dramatic form, genre, structure and style
- the ability to generate and communicate thoughts and ideas
- the ability to work effectively with others on productions and performances
- evaluative skills and critical thinking

## Assessment

- The performance element of the award is assessed by a visiting examiner and is worth 60 per cent of the overall course.
- In the external exam pupils sit a paper worth 40 per cent of the overall course.

## Homework

This will be set on a regular basis in the form of planning, note making, creative writing and practical issues such as line-learning.

The course requires a significant amount of study time in and out of school. Assignments will vary according to the unit of work and will include essays, dramatic commentaries, evaluations, background reading and research, learning line, drawing plans and performance rehearsals.

## Progression

Advanced Higher Drama

## Career Options

Actor | Arts Administrator | Barrister | Community Arts Worker | Dance Movement Psychotherapist | Dancer  
Drama therapist | Events Organiser | Playworker or Play Assistant | Producer - TV or Film Production  
Assistant Researcher – Broadcasting | Runner | Stage Manager | Stagehand | Stunt Performer | Teacher -  
Secondary School – Drama | TV or Film Director | TV or Radio Presenter | Wardrobe Assistant - Film, TV or  
Theatre | Writer or Author

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