



# OPTIONS 2026 - Drama

# DRAMA GCSE



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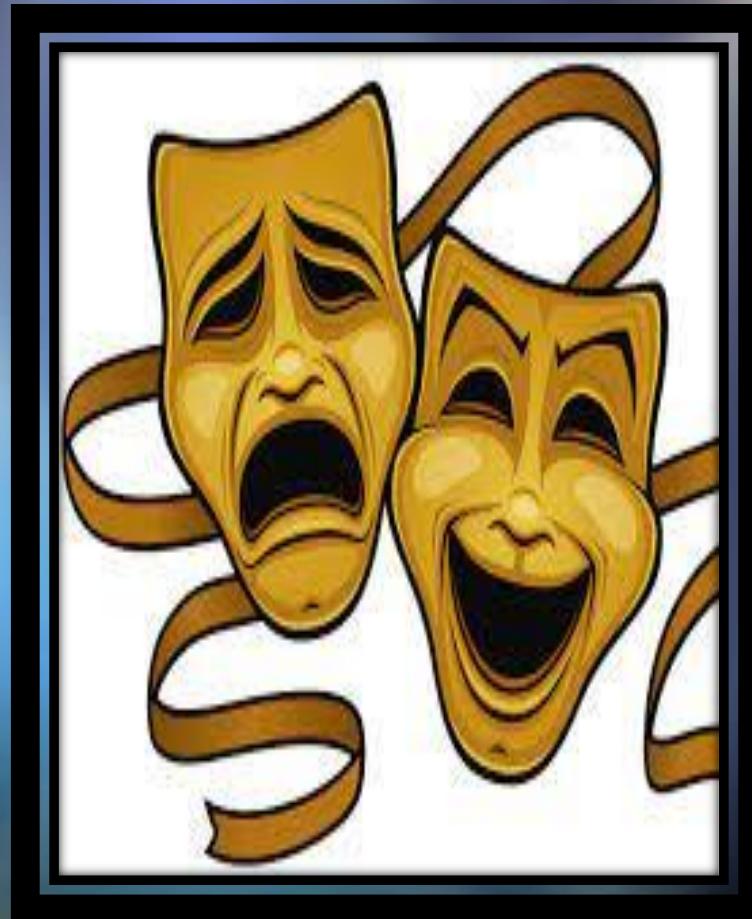
**Do you enjoy expressing  
yourself in an active and  
dynamic way?**

**Do you like to collaborate with  
others?**

**Do you want to explore real  
issues to create original and  
interesting pieces of drama?**

**Would you like to visit the theatre  
and take part in workshops with  
professional actors and  
directors?**

**Then DRAMA GCSE is the right  
choice for you!**



If you already have a heavily academic programme of options, it is important to have a **creative outlet** during the week.

Take the opportunity to express yourself using a creative or practical subject like **Drama**, as it is needed!





**What transferrable skills do you gain?**

- **Verbal and written** communication skills.
- **Teamwork and leadership** skills
- **Problem solving**
- **Time management** – Working to and meeting deadlines.
- Practical application of **IT** and **research** skills.
- **Presentation and articulation** skills essential for public speaking.
- **Empathy** is an **invaluable life skill**.
- **Confidence and motivation**.
- **Analytical and critical thinking** skills.

# DRAMA GCSE COURSE OUTLINE

<b>Component 1 – Understanding Drama</b>  <b>40% of overall mark</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 1 hour 45 minute written exam</li><li>- - Section A – 4 multiple choice questions</li><li>- Section B – Questions about ‘Blood Brothers’ by Willie Russell</li><li>- Section C – Live Theatre Evaluation</li></ul>
<b>Component 2 – Devising</b>  <b>40% of overall mark</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Devised performance in groups (marked by your teacher)</li><li>- Accompanying 2,500 word logbook.</li></ul>
<b>Component 3 – Perform from a text</b>  <b>20% of overall mark</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Learn and perform two sections of a scripted performance (Adult Child Dead Child or DNA)  (marked by an external examiner)</li></ul>

# COURSE TIMELINE

<b>Year 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You will learn about 4 different Drama Practitioners.</li><li>• Complete component two worth 40%. You will devise a performance and an accompanying portfolio.</li></ul>
<b>Year 11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Complete component three worth 20%. You will explore a play called 'DNA' by Dennis Kelly or Adult Child Dead Child by Claire Dowie.</li><li>• In summer, you complete Component one worth 40% which is the written exam.</li><li>• In both years you will also have the opportunity to undergo numerous workshops and trips to the theatre.</li></ul>

# Trips, Workshops & performances



Trips, workshops and performances have included:

- Working with the **Old Vic Theatre**.
- Working with and performing at the **Kiln Theatre**.
- Working with and performing at the **Donmar Warehouse Theatre**.
- Taking part in the **Spoken Power poetry slam** with a show.
- Performing at the **Arts Awards Evening showcase**.

This is to name a few!





**GCSE and A level Drama qualifications, are recognised by all major universities in the same way as any other GCSE or A level qualification.**

Drama GCSE paves the way to study Drama further and become an actor, but that **isn't the only option.**

Director/ Film  
maker



Lawyer



Teacher

A FEW CAREERS YOU CAN PURSUE WITH A DRAMA  
QUALIFICATION!

Actor/  
Actress



Marketing/  
Events



Make-up artist/  
Designer

Social  
worker

Journalist/  
presenter



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