

Year 8 Drama

Elizabethan theatre

- Understand the staging, language and genre aspects of Elizabethan theatre.
- Understand the types of audiences that would have visited the theatre.
- Evaluate the impact these audiences had on the performances.
- Create a performance based on knowledge of Elizabethan theatre.
- Understand the plot and main characters of a Shakespearean play.
- Understand how the play would have been performed in Elizabethan times.
- Create a modern interpretation of the play and perform it to an audience.

Physical Theatre

- To understand and create concept and emotion images.
- To understand and work as an ensemble
- To understand how symbolism can be used in performance.
- To understand the importance of tension in physical theatre.
- To understand how to devise using inanimate objects.
- To understand who Frantic Assembly are.
- To understand how to use synchronisation in performance.
- To develop an understanding of rhythm in performance.
- To understand the Frantic Assembly technique 'Chair Duets'.
- To understand and create concept and emotion images.

Blood Brothers

- To consider the cultural and historical context of the play and how these may have influenced the author.
- To be able to perform in a number of roles with varying ages
- To explain how physicality can be used to play characters of varying ages
- To explain how vocal skills can be used to play characters of varying ages
- To understand the key theme of the play
- To use juxtaposition to compare different characters
- To create role plays using script extracts as inspiration
- To explain how characterisation can be used to highlight the themes of the play
- To understand what a prologue is and how it is used to set the tone mood and atmosphere of the play
- To create a role play based on your knowledge of the play

Advice to students for independent study

- Make sure they are familiar with key drama terms by reading over the work in exercise books.
- Look out for examples of drama and theatre on television and/or clips on YouTube to watch professional drama in action.