



Students will study Dance in Years 7 and 8 with the option to continue through to GCSE and A' Level. They will develop performance skills as well as technical skills, expressive skills and knowledge and understanding of Dance through performance, choreography, and critical appreciation of Dance. Dance will increase students' confidence and self-esteem, as well as allowing them to employ the skills of problem solving and creativity. Students learn to make knowledgeable decisions and will be given the opportunity to demonstrate their ability actively and physically through practical assessments, whilst having fun.

Our purpose built and professionally equipped Dance Studio is open daily for students in KS4 and KS5 to come and rehearse their practical assessment work, and there is a weekly after school practical coursework catch-up session to enable students to receive support in reaching their full potential in the subject.

| Year 7

Terms 1 & 2

Thriller – Students will be taught the famous Michael Jackson Dance and work in small groups to create material based around his moves.

Terms 3 & 4

Dance Athletes – Students will be required to pick their favourite sports and develop the moves of that sport into a dance. Some sections will be teacher led whilst others will be choreographed solely by the students.

Terms 5 & 6

Street Dance – Students will explore different street dance moves and skills including floor work and will develop these into group choreography pieces. The students will use Dance groups like Diversity as inspiration for their piece.

| Year 8

Terms 1 & 2

Bollywood – Students will learn about dance from the Bollywood style/culture. They will learn basic Bollywood movements and actions and then will develop these into their own individual group choreography.

Terms 3 & 4

Honey – Students will learn about dance for Film. They will learn basic set routines taken from the film 'Honey' and then will develop these into their own group choreography. This will be a whole class performance.

Terms 5 & 6

Choreography – Students will apply the skills and techniques that they have learned throughout the year to create their own group choreography pieces based on a stimulus of their own choosing from a given list.

