



	Fertile Question	Focus	Enrichment
Year 7	What are the components of dance?	In Year 7 and 8, each form class will study Dance for 6-7 weeks where they learn co-ordination and improve their confidence. The students will be introduced to the art form that is Dance and will explore the ingredients which constituent to making a piece highly effective. They will develop their ability to move in a unified structure whilst exploring their performance skills.	Black History Month Dance showcase London Games Dance trip
	Can we define a motif?	Students will explore a range of dance movements using steps, gestures, formations, body shapes to create a motif. Through the use of actions, they will make decisions about choice of movements and refining ideas when unsuccessful.	
	What are the challenges of moving through space?	During year 7, students will explore movement through the space around them and around other dancers. They will work alongside their peers in a group and create pathways, formations and different levels in their motif. Applying the use of stage directions and spatial awareness as they progress through the term.	
	What is the dance definition for dynamic?	The students will be dancing to different tempos where they will look at timing tasks and beat recognition. Students will learn the qualities of movement based upon variations in speed, strength and flow. The students will work in pairs and peer assess their performances.	
	Are relationships important and how do we improve them?	Students will build upon their communication skills through trust sequences. In pairs, they will use contact work to develop the ability to do lifts and counter-balance sequences.	
Year 8	How do we develop expressive skills in performance in order to have impact on the audience?	In Year 8, Students will further explore a range of dance movements including gestures, formations, body shapes and contrasts in dynamic and rhythmic patterning focusing on expressive skills. Students will build upon their performance and choreography skills and improve their ability to evaluate and assess movements and refine routines.	London Games Black history Month Summer performances
	What is expression?	Students will refine their performance in individual spaces using exaggerating emotions/feelings. They will practice a range of moods and how it can have demonstrated through the face and body. They will study the key conditions that make an expressive performance highly effective.	

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Year 8	What do we know about the acting style and how is it applied in Dance?	Students will compose and perform a dance sequence showing an understanding of style, artistic intention and facial expressions. Students will examine the impact of facial expressions communicating the message of the piece.	
	How successfully can character traits be performed?	The students will play different characters in Dance and develop frozen images for each of the characters. The range of characters will be associated with a dance move that they might do to express the emotion.	
	To develop expressive skills with a focus on spatial awareness	The students will spend time working on their characters and devising small movement phrases. They will work in groups to perform their work with the use of signature features to improve their performance piece.	

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