Key Stage 3 Curriculum Journey:

The curriculum in Year 7-9 will enable learners to recognise the role of dance through a range of dance styles and fusions and will help them develop their creative, physical, emotional and intellectual capacity through this medium

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	THE YEAR 7-9 CURRICULUM JOURNEY								
	4 Year 7 Classes = 16 lessons a year	* There							
Foundational	Understanding of basic body anatomy and terminology	Physical skills and attributes:							
Knowledge	counting musical beats	Balance							
Prior learning	understanding a narrative-story telling	Mobility							
needed	 understanding safe working practices (warming up, hydration and cooling down) 								
Core Knowledge	 understanding safe working practices (nutrition, safe 	Physical skills and attributes:							
and skills	execution, appropriate dancewear, hairstyle/jewellery)	Coordination							
	 understanding the basic 5 body actions 	Control							
	 identifying and selecting body actions for motifs and phrases 	Technical skills:							
	 using expressive skills to help realise the narrative 	Rhythmic content							
	demonstrating technical competence and knowledge of safety	Expressive skills:							
	when rehearsing and performing	Facial expression							
	 planning a sequence of movements to communicate 								
	meaning(s)								
Developmental	Select and develop more complex phrases to present a	Physical skills and attributes:							
Knowledge and	narrative	Alignment							
Skills	Explore alternative and more advanced techniques to enhance	Strength							
	choreography	Technical skills:							
	Structure phrases to enhance and make sense of narrative	action content (e.g. travel, turn, elevation, gesture, stillness, use							
	Choreographing a sequence of movements to communicate	of different body parts, floor work, transfer of weight)							
	meaning(s)	Expressive skills:							
		phrasing							

		musicality
		focus
		movement in a stylistic way
Complex	students may have entered Year 7 with some complex prior	Physical skills and attributes:
Knowledge	knowledge of technical terms if they have attended Dance	-
Kilowieuge	schools offering RAD, LDTA or ISTD examinations	flexibility
	schools offering that, EDTA of 1312 examinations	posture musicality
		extension
		timing
		Expressive skills:
		projection
Links with the	PE - develop their technique and improve their performance in	projection
National	other competitive sports, [for example, athletics and	
Curriculum	gymnastics], or other physical activities [for example, dance]	
	 English – visualisation of narratives 	
Literacy	Reading and understanding short text from Themes such as	
(including	Bugsy Malone, Matilda and Annie	
reading)		
Cultural Capital	Pupils empathise with the feelings and experiences of others	
	to help develop their understanding of other people's	
	attitudes, ideas and behaviour through engaging with	
	professional practitioners such as Christopher Bruce (an	
	advocate of Human Rights).	
Social, Moral,	Pupils are provided with opportunities to extract meaning	
Spiritual and	beyond the literal, consider hidden meanings whilst engaging	
Cultural	with ideas in fiction, non-fiction, poetry and drama	
Development		
Fundamental	The rule of law	
British Values	democracy	

Assessment	Assessment is through the lessons with a final performance in the penultimate lesson. The assessment includes the control of physical skills (8 marks), technical skills (8 marks) and expressive	
	skills (8 marks): A performance of 'Bad Guys' from the film text 'Bugsy Malone'	
	A performance of 'Revolting Children' from the live performance of 'Matilda'	
	A performance of 'Consider Yourself' from the live performance of 'Oliver'	

Key Stage 4 Curriculum Journey:

The curriculum in Year 10 Dance enables learners to understand how different types and styles of dance have become influential and carry meanings, and to become practiced in these styles and influences through performance.

	styles and influences through performance.								
	THE YEAR 10 CURRICULUM JOURNEY								
	HALF TERM 1	HALF TERM 2	HALF TERM 3	HALF TERM 4	HALF TERM 5	HALF TERM 6			
	Technique	Choreography	Rehearsal skills and technique preparation for live show	Technique	Choreography	Exam preparation			
Foundational Knowledge Prior learning needed	 Health and Safety for dancers Warm-ups Cool-downs Contemporary Technique Musical Theatre style dance Recognise that nonverbal communication through movement and use of space can carry meanings 	Ensemble Group work (leadership and group work) Musical Theatre production dance Understanding the intention of the story narrative Recognise that mood can be represented through movement	Ensemble Dance Unit 229= 50% of final exam Task 1 Large scale ensemble performance in Musical Show Understand and practice making a rehearsal plan or schedule Understand and make use of simple costumes Understand how best to manage time Recognise that costumes reveal characterisation Understand that performance relies on practice, critical evaluation and reflection	Prepare dances based on Shadows by Christopher Bruce Infra by Wayne McGregor or other professional practitioners Completion of RSL booklet and log Ensemble Dance Unit 29=50% of final exam Apply a range of warm up and cool down techniques Recognise a range of different dance styles Recognise that dance performance requires a level of physical fitness	Live performance for unit 229. Task 2 Solo/group choreography in preparation for Performing Arts Show in July Recognise that dance performance represents a narrative with character, plot and mood Understand that dance movements can be planned and sequenced	Live performance for unit 229. Task 2 Ensemble Dance Unit 229= 50% of final exam Solo/group choreography in preparation for Performing Arts Show in July Understand and implement planning techniques Devise and rehearse a structured performance revealing a narrative meaning			



Core Knowledge and skills	 6 bodily actions; travel, turn, elevation, gesture, stillness and falling use of different body parts floor work transference of weight planning and rehearsal rehearsal discipline 	 Recognise and understand a range of choreographic devices Understand the principles of musicality 	 How to prepare and finalise a performance piece ready for an audience. Development of personal technique and basic choreographic skills Evaluate and draw conclusions about costume and production decisions Reflect and evaluate on dance movements 	 Understand the importance of strength and stamina Understand the dance style and technique of the chosen practitioner Interpretation of character(s) through dance 	 Understand and implement choreographic devices to enhance dance pieces. Understanding and exploiting the use of space 	 Understand and implement rehearsal techniques to enhance dance performance Apply techniques and a sequence of movements to reveal a dramatic characterisation Apply a range of chorographical styles and influences in creative performance
Development al Knowledge and Skills	Choreographic processes: researching improvising generation selecting	 apply the principles of musicality in own performances refining and syntheses developing structuring 	feedbackrework spatial context	 understand apply the stylist qualities of the chosen practitioner 	Develop Time Weight Space and Flow	Perform a character showing interpretation and the intention of the narrative
Complex Knowledge	Develop pieces which are highly executed and show the theme and influence of the artists studied	 Multi-use of choreographic processes and devices to create original work. Adapt the ideas of musicality for different types of performance 	Shows independently ability to run own rehearsal schedule including tech and dress	developed pieces are relevant to the professional practitioner's studied and this is clearly evidenced	Multi-use of choreographic processes and devices to create original work.	Interpret the narrative and adapt a range of different techniques to reveal this during performance
Literacy (including reading)	 Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary 	Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary	 Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary 	 Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary 	Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary	Research contextual factors that influence own and practitioners' work Understanding key vocabulary
Cultural Capital	know about and appreciate the works of great dance performers and how	appreciation of dance and movement from professional works	appreciate and embrace the value of how dance influences from other cultures impacts creatively	recognise how dance contributes to both popular and traditional values in our society and	appreciation of dance and movement from different cultures and styles such as Phoenix	know about and appreciate the works of great dance performers and how



	their work was influential such as Christopher Bruce, Matthew Bourne (LGBTQ questioning with the gay Swan Lake)	such the Royal Ballet and Rambert Dance Company.	on own work and the work of others. For example the production by Rambert Dance 'A Lina Curva' (Brazilian culture, Samba – 'The Curved Line)	globally such Martha Graham technique and classical ballet techniques, Bob Fosse techniques.	Dance ('Windrush' focusing on multi- cultural ballet)	their work was influenced (for example Can Do Co who have opened dance routes up for those with disabilities)
Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Development Fundamental British Values	How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they	 How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work 	 How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they may not understand or like 	 How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they may not understand or 	 How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they may not understand or 	 How different practitioners present their work. Students interaction understanding their artistic way and what people might see or believe Tolerance of different art forms, styles and abilities Acceptance of the creative process as in an individual journey. recognise and accept Dance pieces made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices
	may not understand or like	they may not understand or like		like	like	
Assessment	PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION grading: a performative assessment of technique featuring travelling, turning,	A PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION grading: a 30 second dance choreography, containing some learnt motifs and phrases, and	PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION grading: assessment of live ensemble performance in front of a live audience focusing on expressive skills and	PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION grading: create a dance in the style and form of the two studied work (this can be solo, duo or ensemble performance)	PASS, MERIT, DISTINCTION grading: an ensemble performance of 2.5 to 3 minutes in length including technique and expression	Examination performance based on choreography (solo or ensemble) – internally assessed and moderated



elevation, falling, gesture	basic use of	communication with the			
and moments of stillness	choreographic devices.	audience.		Feedback Sheets and	
			Feedback Sheets and	notelets attached to work	
		Feedback Sheets and notelets	notelets attached to work	These are used to give	
		attached to performance. These	These are used to give	students targets and practical	
		are used to give students targets	students targets and practical	advice about how to	
		and practical advice about how	advice about how to improve.	improve. This is informative	
		to improve. This is informative	This is informative and	and motivational.	
		and motivational.	motivational.	Test: Practical	
		Test: Practical	Test: Practical	assessment/performance	
		assessment/performance	assessment/performance	and Written-log book	
		and Written-log book	and Written-log book		

KS4 DANCE

The curriculum in Year 11 Dance enables learners to deepen their understanding of how different types and styles of dance have become influential and carry meanings, and to become practiced in these styles and influences through performance.

meanings, and to become practiced in these styles and influences through performance.							
HALF TERM 1		HALF TERM 2	HALF TERM 3	HALF TERM 4 and 5			
Topic and learning focus							
	Technique	Choreography	Rehearsal skills	Exam preparation			
Foundational Knowledge Prior learning needed	 understand and apply health and safety for dancers know and apply warm-ups know and apply cool-downs know about contemporary technique (ref. Martha Graham) understand the influences of musical theatre style dance 	 explore and explain Graham technique use existing knowledge and explore other dance styles to support the creation of a fusion style extend knowledge of choreography 	 develop knowledge of how best to generate ideas and plan for a performance know about how to structure a personal statement driven by a set of identified aims understand how the use of a log book can help make judgements on how to improve 	20 hours of the supervised external exam. • know how to construct a sustained performance • recognise the influence of other dancers and dance movements, styles and traditions • recognise the importance of drawing conclusions and making judgements about own performance			
Core Knowledge and skills	 secure knowledge of the six bodily actions: travel, turn, elevation, gesture, stillness and falling know about the use of different body parts to develop narrative and mood develop knowledge and skill of floor work transference of weight planning and rehearsal rehearsal discipline 	 recognise and understand choreography in the context of the chosen performance understand the intention of the story narrative apply the influences of musical theatre style dance understand that mood can be represented through movement 	 understand the planning processes in terms of a production plan know about the different elements which make up a successful performance understand how to prepare and finalise a performance piece ready for an audience understand costume and the importance of production decisions 	 know to evaluate how own production pieces have been affected by the contextual influence of dancers, styles and traditions know how to demonstrate the use of different parts of the body to communicate meanings demonstrate the planning processes in terms of a production plan 			

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				demonstrate how to prepare and finalise a performance
Developmental Knowledge and Skills	Extend knowledge of choreographic processes: • researching • improvising • generation • selecting	 extend knowledge of how to develop and structure performances understand how to refine own performance in the light of evaluation feedback 	 apply the planning processes in terms of a production plan evaluate how own performance pieces have been affected by the contextual influence of other dancers and styles know how to apply and adapt the influence of other dancers or styles secure knowledge and skills of reworking and finalising 	 Know how to demonstrate knowledge of choreography Know how to apply a range of different dance techniques to create a dynamic composition Understand how to make sustained and detailed critical evaluations and how this can know how to make a sustained creative performances which synthesises the knowledge learnt from across the course lead to improvements in production pieces
Complex Knowledge	 know how to fully engage with the intention of the piece, which is reflected through practical and theoretical knowledge 	 know how to make an independent review and processing of final performance know how to make sustained and detailed critical evaluations and how this can lead to improvements in production pieces 	 know how to fully engage with the intention of the final exam piece, this should be reflected through practical and theoretical knowledge know how to make an independent review of intentions, choreographic processes 	 know how to make an independent review of intentions, choreographic processes apply knowledge of how to make a sustained creative performances which synthesises the knowledge learnt from across the course
Cultural Capital	 know about and appreciate the works of great dance performers and how their work was influential such as Matthew Bourne and Christopher Bruce. 	appreciation of dance and movement from different cultures and styles globally. Learners study works from Phoenix Dance Company which specialise in multi-cultural performances.	appreciate and embrace the value of how dance influences from other cultures impacts creatively on own work and the work of others. Learners study works by Elmhurst Ballet Company and Rambert Ballet	 recognise how dance contributes to both popular and traditional values in our society and globally. The study of works and performers from the Royal Ballet is an example.
Literacy (including reading)	 reading for meaning and understanding of instruction understand and apply subject specific vocabulary 	use writing to reflect and make critical evaluations of performance pieces	 reading for meaning use writing and notes to generate and share ideas write accurately in evaluating work once completed 	 understand and apply subject specific vocabulary make an extended written response, writing fluently use writing to make critical evaluative responses



Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Development	 understand how different performers present their work and express opinions. communicate feelings, emotions and ideas to others in performance 	 understand that expression of emotion, feeling and sensibility comes through movement and dance develop individual confidence and emotional intelligence through dance 	acceptance of the creative process as an individual journey of discovery and growth	understanding of different dance forms, styles and abilities and how to embrace these styles and forms to impact and improve own work and understanding
Fundamental British Values	 recognise and accept art made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures 	 tolerance of different dance-art forms, styles and abilities and how to embrace these styles and forms to impact and improve own work and understanding appreciation of individual performance choices 	 recognise and accept dance made by all types tolerance of different societies, dance-art and cultures individual artistic choices respect for performance they may not understand or like 	 tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they may not understand or like
Assessment	Assessment based on a mock brief: solo or ensemble 2.5 to 3 minutes, choreographed to a theme.	Assessment based on a released brief from the examination board: solo or ensemble 2.5 to 3 minutes, choreographed to a theme. This is supported by 10 hours of research	Final External Assessment Unit 201E (50%) of exam mark. Externally assessed 20 hours to complete	Final External Assessment Unit 201E (50%) of exam mark. Externally assessed



Key Stage 5 Curriculum Journey:

The curriculum in Year 12 and 13 Performing Arts enables learners to extend and deepen their understanding of how different types and styles of dance have become influential and carry meanings, and to become practiced in these styles and influences through performance.

	meanings, and to become practiced in these styles and influences through performance.							
		THE YEAR 12	&13 CURRICULUM JOURNE	Y FOR PERFRORMING AF	RTS			
12/13 Taught together over 2 years	HALF TERM 1-2	HALF TERM 3-4	HALF TERM 5-6	HALF TERM 7-8	HALF TERM 9-10	HALF TERM 11-12		
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Topic and	Developing Skills and	Developing Skills and	Developing Skills and	Group Performance	Developing Skills and	Final Live Performance to an		
learning focus	Techniques,	Techniques,	Techniques,	Workshop,	Techniques for Live	Audience		
	Musical Theatre	Musical Theatre	Musical Theatre	Contemporary Dance	Performance,			
	Techniques	Techniques	Techniques,	Techniques,				
			Contemporary Dance	Individual				
			Techniques	Performance				
	Units 2 and 27Musical Theatre	Units 2 and 27Musical Theatre	Unit 2 and 27Musical Theatre	Unit 3 External exam Devising and	Unit 3 External exam Povising and	Showcase Performance developing own skills and any		
	Research and	Musical Theatre Research and	Research and	Devising and choreographing	Devising and choreographing	 developing own skills and any optional units; 		
	Techniques	Techniques	Techniques and Live	Unit 5 Individual	Unit 5 Individual	focussing on		
	Developing Personal	intro to Unit 1	Performance	Performance	Performance	• acting		
	Skills and techniquesUnit 4 Performing	PractitionersUnit 4 Performing arts	 Unit 4 Performing arts in the Community 			devisingphysical theatre		
	arts in the	in the Community	Unit 6			choreography		
	Community	• Unit 6	Live Performance			and degraphy		
	• Unit 6	Live Performance	Unit 1 Practitioners					
	Live Performance		 Unit 7 Career Opportunities (for 					
			students doing extended					
			diploma)					
Foundational	know about how to	extend know about	 understanding discipline 	Using and developing	Using and developing	know how to developing the		
Knowledge	undertake straight	how to undertake	and practice of technical	existing skills and	existing skills and	skill to make a sustained solo		
Prior learning needed	forward research skills	more detailed research skills	rehearsal	techniques to create a performance	techniques to outline a performance	or ensemble performance		



	 know how to make a selection of musical productions for auditions in all 3 areas of MT know how to prepare a working-to script and libretto 	 understanding of musical productions extend and develop knowledge of how to prepare a working-to script and libretto 	 know how to plan and prepare for a dress rehearsal understand the components which make a successful live performance 	use existing knowledge and explore other dance styles to support the creation of a fusion style	 know about the different elements which make up a successful performance understand how to prepare and finalise a performance piece ready for an audience 	 know how to apply planning and rehearsal skills recognise the importance of drawing conclusions and making judgements about own performance
Core Knowledge and skills	 know how to demonstrate interpretive skills in a range of dance movements and with reference to a given style know how to make an independent review and processing of final performance 	 know how to apply physical, vocal and interpretative skills for selected performance material, disciplines and styles understand how to refine own performance in the light of evaluation feedback 	 know how to demonstrate professional attitude to technical and dress rehearsals leading up to the final live performance know how to use feedback to improve own and performance of others 	 understand how to work successfully as part of a small performance company of three to seven performers know how to create an original piece of performance work to present to an invited audience 	as part of a small performance company of three to seven performers, apply knowledge by creating an original piece of performance work to present to an invited audience.	 know how to apply knowledge of choreography and dance techniques understand costume and the importance of production decisions interpret events into a narrative which can be performed know how to demonstrate the use of different parts of the body to communicate meanings
Developmental Knowledge and Skills	 know how to demonstrate confident, disciplined and effective use of exploration, exercise know how to make a detailed critical evaluations and how this can lead to improvements in production pieces 	demonstrate disciplined and highly effective use of exploration, exercise in the development and application of physical, vocal and interpretative skills	Demonstrate confident, disciplined and highly effective use of exploration, exercise and workshops in the development and application of physical, vocal and interpretative skills for selected performance material, disciplines and styles.	Individual performance confidently and fluently communicates creative ideas Know how to make sustained and detailed critical evaluations and how this can lead to improvements in production pieces	Know how to make an individual performance confidently and fluently which communicates creative ideas, meaning and style to an audience know how to make Interactions, responses to other performers Know how to show responsiveness and sensitivity	 Know how to select appropriate materiel to challenge and develop own skills and techniques know how to demonstrate knowledge of choreography know how to make an independent review of intentions, choreographic processes
Complex Knowledge	 know how to apply and adapt the influence of other dancers or styles 	 extend knowledge of how to develop and structure performances 	deepen knowledge and skills of re-working and finalising	know how to make sophisticated and detailed critical evaluations and how	Understand how to make a contribution to an ensemble performance	 know how to make a sustained creative performances which synthesises the knowledge

				this can lead to improvements in production pieces	Know how to make performance skills and techniques, engaging and appropriate to the creative intention.	learnt from across the course lead to improvements in production pieces
Literacy (including reading)	 Read, understand the requirements of all briefs 	 reading for meaning and understanding of instruction understand and apply subject specific vocabulary 	 use writing to reflect and make critical evaluations of performance pieces Use writing to evaluate your strengths and areas for improvement providing justification for your decisions 	 reading for meaning use writing and notes to generate and share ideas write accurately in evaluating work once completed 	 understand and apply subject specific vocabulary make an extended written response, writing fluently use writing to make critical evaluative response 	 use writing to review the development of your dance performance skills and interpretative skills during workshops and rehearsal processes, including your response to feedback and direction
Cultural Capital	 know about and appreciate the works of great dance performers and how their work was influential 	appreciation of dance and movement from different cultures and styles globally	appreciate and embrace the value of how dance influences from other cultures impacts creatively on own work and the work of others	 recognise how dance contributes to both popular and traditional values in our society and globally 	appreciation of dance and movement from different cultures and styles globally	know about, appreciate and apply the works of great dance performers and how their work was influential
Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Development	How different artists present their work and express opinions. Students interaction understanding	 understand that expression of emotion, feeling and sensibility comes through movement and dance develop individual confidence and emotional intelligence through dance 	 reading for meaning and understanding of instruction understand and apply subject specific vocabulary 	 understanding of different dance forms, styles and abilities and how to embrace these styles and forms to impact and improve own work and understanding 	acceptance of the creative process as an individual journey of discovery and growth	 understand and apply subject specific vocabulary make an extended written response, writing fluently use writing to make critical evaluative responses
Fundamental British Values	 recognise and accept art made by all types tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices respect for work they may not understand or like 	appreciation of individual performance choices	tolerance of different dance-art forms, styles and abilities and how to embrace these styles and forms to impact and improve own work and understanding	 recognise and accept dance made by all types tolerance of different societies, dance-art and cultures 	 tolerance of different societies, art and cultures individual artistic choices Respect for work they may not understand or like 	Respect for individual artistic choices when working with others



Assessment	Task 1: research-based on the set brief: to undertake a detailed investigation into the key features of musical theatre performance (including primary and secondary research) Task 2: a) development of ideas for the final performance through the context of a rehearsal schedule to develop choreographic, acting and singing performance styles; b) the final live performance; and c) evaluation of performance (through the log book) by undertaking an evaluation of performance focusing on the development and improvement areas.	Unit 1 External paper: investigating two professional practitioners' work in performing arts focusing particularly on the contextual factors that have influenced their work. Unit 3 External Paper: devise a group performance workshop and final performance for 3 – 5 people. (Unit 7 External Paper for the extended qualification only: evaluate a range of employment opportunities for the performing arts) (Unit 5 External Paper for the extended qualification only) undertake an individual performance commission following the brief set by the examination board.	Developing own personal strengths in skills and techniques (will be assessed depending on which choice of unit) Formative performative-related feedback	Informal variety show performance drawing on the synoptic techniques and skills from across the course.
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NB: Opportunities to complete optional units will be provided depending on student workload