

Drama – Level 1

Qualification: Level 1 BTEC Certificate in Performing Arts -Drama Exam Board: Pearson Level of Achievement: Level 1Pass, Merit, Distinction (Equivalent to GCSE grades 1-3)

What will I learn?

This course is a combination of units. There are some units which explore your future career goals and your organisation skills. Some units are specific to drama, such as planning and leading a drama warm up and preparing for a performance. You will demonstrate your knowledge with practical performances and written assignments.

How will I be assessed?

The course is assessed via coursework. There is no final examination. You will complete 5 pieces of coursework over Y10 and Y11.

A1 – Being Organised: This unit looks at ways in which you can be organised. It teaches you how to use digital calendars and how to action plan.

A2 – Considering a Personal Progression Plan: This unit involves making a plan for when you leave school. You will research opportunities and consider your goals. You will write an action plan to achieve those goals.

PA10 – Performing a Piece of Drama: This unit involves you creating a piece of drama and performing in front of an audience.

PA11 – Personal Preparation for a Performance: This unit explores ways in which a professional prepares for a performance. You will learn different warm up techniques and will lead a warm up activity, teaching it to the class.

PA12 – Rehearsing for a Performance: You will learn about different explorative strategies and ways to develop your performance during rehearsal.

You must be willing to work with a variety of other people. You must be willing to perform and complete practical activities in each lesson

Future opportunities



Drama develops the skills that are most required by employers; creativity communication, teamwork, negotiation, problem solving, leadership, organisation and perseverance. Selecting and being successful in Drama can demonstrate your employability skills.

Industry careers include: Actor, Director, Designer, Sound/lighting Technician Other relevant careers include: Lawyer, Teacher, Events Manager, and Social Worker For more information speak to: Mrs Swift eswift@firvale.com