Long Term Plan

Our GCSE students will build on their KS3 knowledge of theatre vocabulary, styles and techniques through in-depth analysis and evaluation of text, style, character and design. They will develop their understanding and use of modern professional practice when devising, rehearsing, designing and performing theatre, enabling them to explore and craft their own interpretations of performance with a high level of independence, creativity and awareness. Students will sculpt their acting and design skills through practice, focusing on creating impact for an audience. Students will explore professional repertoire and devise from stimuli, enabling them to flourish as twenty first century theatre makers.

		Learning Cycle	Key Concepts and Themes	Vocabulary
Year 10: Drama	нт1	Blood Brothers	 Themes: fate, superstition, nature vs nurture, inequality of social class, violence 1950's-80's Liverpudlian context Naturalistic, comic and stylised performance styles Interpretation of text, technique and design 	Cyclical structure, Colloquial Scouse terms ('living on the never never'), Subtext, objectives, superobjective, emotional memory, Proxemics, tension, climax, atmosphere, mood, Nonchalance,
	HT2		 Analysis of acting and character Analysis of design (lighting, set, costume) Creating impact for an audience Stimuli: Blood Brothers, Liverpool in the 60s-80s, Staging types, Theatre makers 	Lighting: gobo, gel, crossfade, snap, Fresnel, Set: rostra, cyclorama, treads, trundle, Vocal and physical skills
	нтз	Devising	 Practitioner approaches: Frantic Assembly's physical theatre, Bertolt Brecht's Epic Theatre Roles and responsibilities of actor/devisers or designer/devisers Planning, rehearsing and putting on a performance Devising from stimuli Analysing, evaluating and refining performance Application of style, techniques and skills to create impact for an audience Impact of plot structure, creative choices, aims and intentions 	Frantic Assembly: physical theatre, Round-by- through, Chair or Swipe Duets, Clear the Space, Fluff, building blocks Bertolt Brecht: epic theatre, placards, Leading Body Parts, juxtaposition, direct address, spass, narration
	HT4		Stimuli : Resistance by Muse, Can one person change the world?, Witch Spawn by Beth Cross	Various, depending on performance choice.
	HT5	Devising	 Writing to describe, explain, analyse and evaluate In depth consideration of character, context, theatrical devices, design, acting skills, themes and impact on the audience Stimuli: Blood Brothers, Individual devised performance stimulus 	Refine, Analyse, Evaluate, Use of prior learning of theatrical vocabulary, Dramatic intent

Skill Development	 Characterisation skills (Vocal skills: pitch, pace, tone, emphasis, diction, Physical skills: posture, gesture, gait, control, mime, stillness, facial expressions. Reactions) Creating impact for an audience through acting, design, use of theatrical devices and styles. Devising skills: using a stimulus, narrative structure (cyclical, linear, episodic) rehearsing effectively, applying practitioner techniques, researching Working with scripts: use of subtext, objectives, naturalistic, comic and stylised approaches to text, using design to emphasis themes, applying context in performance Application of Epic, Naturalistic, Physical Theatre and comic techniques Performance skills: confidence, connecting with an audience, performance discipline, learning lines, creativity, imagination. Describing, analysing and evaluating acting and performance
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