



## Drama

### Advice for Parents

We always recommend taking students to the theatre, wherever and whenever possible. The magic of live performance can often be overlooked as an experience in the days of constant media and video.

Keep an eye on the schedules of local theatres; any performance is worthwhile, be it play, pantomime, or musical.

Youth theatre groups or performing arts groups are fantastic ways for students to make friends, keep themselves entertained, and take part in a live performance as part of a team.

The drama department recommends any National Theatre work as a benchmark for quality drama. There are a number of NT short videos on youtube looking at different aspects of theatre, and from summer 2021, some quality performances available on Prime video.

At Key Stage 4 and 5, we recommend the work of 'Frantic Assembly', and 'Splendid Productions'; both of which have visited school to provide workshops for students on many occasions.

There are also a number of live streaming websites where you can watch plays and performances; starting with the BBC iPlayer.

The drama department takes Health and Safety very seriously, and insist that all students have with them either a pair of clean, dry trainers or 'trampoline' socks for every lesson.