



**The Drama Curriculum at Nova is Ambitious, Sequenced Carefully, Principled, Inclusive, Research-informed and Enriching.**

<p>This curriculum makes sure that the students have ample opportunities to gain not just subject knowledge, but knowledge of industry. The curriculum takes the students on a journey of building subject content knowledge with the ability to become working practitioners of drama. This curriculum will stretch the students as they will have responsibility and duties that are carried out independently and as a group. Students take creative control of what they devise and produce, alongside independent research and roles.</p>	<p>Professional behaviour in rehearsal and performance. Approach to text, character and research. Devising theatre. Working log/portfolio. Audition Prep. Use of emotion. Roles and Responsibilities. Knowledge of theatre styles. Practitioners of theatre. Working independently and part of a group. Development of character and story. How to use voice, body and personality. Students skills are mapped and revisited throughout the 5-year course of study. Students are able to develop skills and add to their repertoire. For example they learn the 5 elements of Drama in year 7, which is then revisited and improved upon in year 9-11.</p>	<p>Throughout the curriculum students will have the opportunities to evaluate and debate each topic. They will express and share views on what is being taught and give feedback on what they enjoyed or what they didn't find engaging. Students' cultural backgrounds will be supported through exploring a variety of different theatre styles that explore and create shows based on cultural backgrounds. This curriculum offers skills which can be transferable to their academic studies not just in drama but across their subjects.</p>	<p>The curriculum offers all students the chance to not only be heard but to be seen and express their individuality. Throughout the curriculum the students' gaps in knowledge will be addressed through prior knowledge assessment, recapping and reteaching aspects of topics where clarification is required. Misconceptions will be addressed throughout the lessons and the students will discuss and debate these misconceptions. We cover diversity in drama by looking at a range of texts and practitioners. The curriculum is designed with diversity and celebrating all at its heart. Students of all abilities will be supported and will feel success in Drama with the support of the SEN team and inclusive lesson resources.</p>	<p>Throughout, students will have worked examples provided to them at various stages of research and written tasks. The students will also have the chance throughout the curriculum to peer assess and assess independently. They will be given opportunities to problem solve, research, create and devise independently or part of the group. Data Driven Instruction will be used throughout the curriculum so that the learning needs of the students are met, whilst informing and forming the direction of teaching. I can personally offer the students expert knowledge of drama with ample industry experience to impart on the students. I am part of a professional body of teachers omitted to researching teaching pedagogy and that high-quality teaching will ensue.</p>	<p>The students will be given opportunities to see a variety of theatre from local productions to West End. The students will be able to take workshops in the Drama Club, that allow the students to build on their knowledge and develop their own personal practitioner view. For Y10&amp;11 they will have the chance to see productions of local colleges and sixth forms so that they can see what courses have to offer. Throughout their research tasks the students will read many articles, books, plays and websites that will add to their knowledge of topics. The students will be able to perform as part of schools shows which provide professional space, sound and lighting, these are just a few that we have on offer. Our shows and what we provide give the students to work on shows that work to a professional and industry standard.</p>
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