# **Performing Arts**



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Performing Arts lessons at Cardinal Newman Catholic School explore the subject through a variety of exciting and engaging schemes of learning that foster transferable skills to set students up to confidently progress to the world of Higher Education and work in any field. Students will develop their communication skills and build confidence working in groups to produce performances.

#### **Year 7 Performing Arts Schemes of Learning**

In Year 7, we cover a range of topics from introducing them to Performance skills such as still image and vocal skills, to scripted

Pantomime performances and exploring devising of Harry Potter. In Music some of the topics students explore Film Music Harry Potter, Musical Instruments and Chords.

Overall, we want Year 7 students to develop their

performance skills which can help with confidence and team work.

Most importantly, we want the

students to enjoy themselves!

#### **Key Stage 3**

<u>Year 7:</u> 2x 60 minute lesson per fortnight of Drama and 1 x 60 minute of Music a fortnight

Year 8: 1x 60 minute lesson per week of Drama

1x60 minute lesson per fortnight of Music

<u>Year 9 (Option):</u> 3x 60 minute lessons termly on a carousel for a term in Music, Drama and Production Arts

#### **GCSE**

3x 60 minute <u>practical</u> lessons per fortnight 1x 60 minute theory lesson per fortnight

#### A-Level

Year 12 8x 60 minute lessons per fortnight

Year 13 10x60 minute lesson per fortnight

### **What is Performing Arts?**

Performing Arts is the study of Acting,
Theatre roles, Production Arts (design skills) and Music.

## Why is Performing Arts important?

Performing Arts lessons will help you learn transferable skills that can be used in all your other subjects such as communication, group work and public speaking. Exploring a number of different topics through role play, instruments and performance will be exciting and engaging.

#### **Extra-Curricular**

<u>Drama Club</u>: A weekly lunch time club where you can make new friends from all year groups in KS3. Students will work towards a termly performance.

<u>**Drama Company:**</u> A weekly after school club, developing acting skills to perform devised and scripted work

<u>School Shows and Theatre Trips:</u> We like to give our students the opportunity to attend trips throughout their time at Cardinal Newman. This can include going to the theatre to watch shows in The West End and theatre companies visiting school to run workshops.

Towards the end of the academic year, we put together a whole school

musical production or a showcase of performance work, where students from all clubs can take part, rehearsing and making friends with their peers from other year groups in the school.

What students say:

"Performing Arts helps you make new friends"
"Performing Arts helped build my confidence"