



Performing Arts Curriculum Plan Overview

Year 9			
Term	Topic	Learning	How can parents' best support
Autumn 1	Commedia Dell'Arte	<p>Introduction to Commedia dell'Arte</p> <p>Topics covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Stock characters of Commedia dell'Arte ● Using stock characters to devise a short performance ● The 7 levels of tension <p>Plus;</p> <p>How lighting, music, sound and colour can contribute to a devised performance.</p> <p>How to use your voice, gestures and body language on stage.</p> <p>Working as part of a team.</p>	<p>Watch slap stick comedy</p> <p>Research 16th Century Italian Theatre</p> <p>Play mime games at home e.g. Charades</p>
Assessment :	Devised performance using the stock characters of Commedia dell'Arte		
Autumn 2	Mask Work	<p>The Trestle Theatre Company</p> <p>Introduction to how masks are used.</p> <p>Topics covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The rules of mask work ● How to effectively perform with a mask ● Using masks to devise a short performance. <p>Plus;</p> <p>How lighting, music, sound and colour can contribute to a devised performance.</p> <p>How to use your voice, gestures and body language on stage.</p> <p>Working as part of a team.</p>	

Assessment :	Using the Trestle Theatre Company Masks to devise a short mime piece		
Spring 1&2	Exploring a Drama Stimulus: War	<p>Introduction to the stimulus "War"</p> <p>Topics covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● History of WW2 ● Research "Real stories" ● Using real life stories of soldiers to create a character ● Hot Seating <p>Plus;</p> <p>How lighting, music, sound and colour can contribute to a devised performance.</p> <p>How to use your voice, gestures and body language on stage.</p> <p>Working as part of a team.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to research World War 2.</p> <p>Watch documentaries/ films set during World War 2</p> <p>Practise lines at home with your child.</p>
Assessment :	Devised performance using War as a stimulus		
Summer 1&2	Exploring & Making use of Theatre Technology Theatre in Education	<p>Introduction to Theatre Technology</p> <p>Making use of the immersive space</p> <p>Topics covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lighting design ● Costume design ● Sound design <p>Plus;</p> <p>Using the immersive space</p> <p>Assigning roles within the class</p> <p>Creating a Theatre in Education piece for Primary Schools</p>	<p>Watching films with your child and discussing costumes of characters.</p> <p>Listening to music and talking about how music makes your child feel.</p> <p>Watching theatre clips on YouTube and discussing sound, lighting and costume.</p>
Assessment :	Theatre in Education Performance to KS2.		