

# DRAMA



## HOW MANY LESSONS OF DRAMA DO YOU HAVE?

You will have one lesson of Drama a week at KS3.

## DO YOU GET HOME LEARNING SET FOR DRAMA?

There is no home learning set in KS3 Drama. So no home learning for Year 7.

## WHAT DO YOU DO IN DRAMA?

Our lessons explore a new theme each half term. The lessons are practical and explore the devices and skills found in Drama, whilst having fun! We create, perform and evaluate our own and others' work.

## WHY DO WE DO DRAMA?

Drama helps us to learn key skills that can be applied to everyday life. Cooperation, confidence, creativity and leadership are some of those transferable skills.

## WHERE DO THE LESSONS TAKE PLACE?

The lessons are taught in specialist rooms that are spacious and have some facilities for sound and projections. We have one main studio that also doubles as a performance space, this has a lighting, sound and a projection system.

## WHAT DO I NEED TO WEAR?

Full school uniform.

## HOW DO WE COMPLETE ASSESSMENTS?

Each half term you are assessed on either creating, performing or evaluating. This can be done through practical demonstration or a written task. Marks are recorded in a Drama booklet where you will write a target to help you improve.

## WHAT CLUBS ARE THERE?

We run a Year 7 Drama club at lunchtime. This club is great fun and usually attended by around 100 students from across the year group! We play loads of games and then work on a piece that performs in June. The club is run by the Year 12 Drama Captains, the Year 10 Assistant Drama Captains and there will be a member of staff too. It is a great club to get involved in straight away as you get to meet lots of people from different forms.

## WHAT SORT OF SCHOOL SHOWS DO YOU DO?

There is a Year 7 Drama club that meets weekly and has its own performance in the summer term. We also hold an annual whole school production that alternates between being a play or a musical. Shows in the past have been Oliver, Grimm Tales, Alice, Hairspray. Every couple of years we also run a 48 hour musical where students create a musical on a weekend!

## WHAT ARE THE OPPORTUNITIES IF I DON'T WANT TO PERFORM BUT WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

We always need a strong backstage team to support the performances. Roles such as stage manager, props, costume, lighting and sound are offered for students to get involved in.

## WHAT ARE YOUR RESULTS LIKE?

Results at GCSE and A level Drama are always strong. Historically GCSE & A level students achieve their target or above. This year we achieved 100% A\*-C, and at GCSE we achieved 91% 9-4.

## HOW POPULAR IS THE SUBJECT AT GCSE AND A LEVEL?

Very! We have three groups at GCSE and one group in Year 12 and in Year 13. Class sizes at GCSE from 15-22, at A Level from 15-21. We are very proud of our numbers and the thriving Drama community here at Beaumont.