# Drama

Drama staff will use the existing schemes of work for all year groups, but adapt the outcomes to suit the limits of what we can deliver in a non specialist classroom whilst adopting current guidelines. These guidelines will mean that Key Stage 3 classes will be limited to monologue performances for classrooms where social distancing cannot be adhered to and students will perform at their desks. Some classrooms will allow for duologue performance at a social distance, but it will be the choice of the teacher if this is appropriate.

Key Stage 4 students will focus on the Devised Unit coursework elements, Devised script work and Exam Unit whilst we await guidance from the Eduqas board regarding any changes to the course and its assessments. This guidance will arrive 'early in the autumn term' according to the website.

Key Stage 4 performances of their group work will not be possible under current guidelines, however the students will have the opportunity to finalise their scripts during the autumn to ensure they are ready to perform rapidly once restrictions are eased.

Due to not being able to move around the room teachers will not be able to offer the usual high level of verbal feedback and so all feedback will be given through Google Classroom as this has proved highly effective during lockdown as a number of students. If a student is able to perform an extract of their script they will be able to do this from their desk.

Some access to ICT in year 10/11 would be extremely beneficial if possible. If it is essential that students need to access their work on Google Classroom it is expected that they do this at home or on their phones in lesson under the supervision of the teacher.

# Year 7

SOW will stay the same, but all activities have been made COVID-safe and adhere to current guidelines. There will be no active rehearsal as students will not be allowed to move around the classroom. Therefore, students will rehearse with the peer they are seated with and perform as outlined above. Full lesson presentations have been provided to teachers to ensure support is given and consistency is maintained. Homework will be to memorise the lines of the scripts they have been given (this has not changed from previous years).

#### Year 8

SOW has been adapted to focus on Greek and Shakespearean Theatre.

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#### Year 9

Due to Year 9 becoming KS3 again students will follow a new curriculum adapted from the GCSE specification which will focus on Devised and Scripted Theatre. MHY is teaching all Year 9 Drama and therefore this will ensure high standards are maintained when students are opting to choose the GCSE option.

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## Year 10

They have completed a year of GCSE drama due to being the last 3 year GCSE drama students. They have a healthy knowledge and understanding of the course and are prepared to begin the GCSE coursework early. In Year 10 they are going to focus on developing their knowledge of DNA; the written exam text and 50% of the students successfully complete a MOCK exam during lockdown. Furthermore, they will watch several live theatre productions in order to review them in preparation for Section B of the written exam.

If current restrictions are still in place late into the autumn terms, the students will create and write a script for the 40% Devised Unit to ensure they are prepared for this assessment.

Year 11

Year 11 students will focus on the Devised Unit coursework elements, Devised script work and Exam Unit whilst we await guidance from the Eduqas board regarding any changes to the course and its assessments. This guidance will arrive 'early in the autumn term' according to the website.

Year 11 performances of their group work will not be possible under current guidelines, however the students will have the opportunity to finalise their scripts during the autumn to ensure they are ready to perform rapidly once restrictions are eased.

Due to not being able to move around the room teachers will not be able to offer the usual high level of verbal feedback and so all feedback will be given through Google Classroom as this has proved highly effective during lockdown as a number of students. If a student is able to perform an extract of their script they will be able to do this from their desk.