

Cultural Capital opportunities in Drama

Embarking on educational trips and visits goes beyond the confines of the classroom, enriching pupils cultural capital and contextualising their learning journeys. Through these ventures, pupils delve into vibrant and diverse experiences, gaining insights into the profession within the local and national communities. These trips serve as captivating journeys, allowing pupils to not only expand their academic horizons but also build deeper connections with the world around them. By actively engaging with different cultures and environments, pupils are empowered to embrace their roles as citizens while fostering a profound appreciation for human diversity.

Beyond the expertise found within the classroom, pupils have the opportunity to:

- Learn about how and why drama, dance and musical theatre is devised and performed, through reasons such as religion, special occasions, for communication, bringing people together, education, for pleasure, to add to images with emphasis on the close links between drama and culture.
- Work with professional performers who provide workshops.
- Take part in rehearsals for and performance of the School Production which allows pupils a deeper appreciation for how the different theatrical elements (acting, lighting, sound, set & costume) and different Arts (Music, Art, Drama) combine.
- Performing under pressure for a final judgement, managing the emotional pressure.
- Suggest ideas of dance to expose others to as part of our annual Culture Day.
- Take part in the Summer Arts Festival where pupils work as either a soloist or as an ensemble using their own interest and specialism to perform in front of an audience.
- Attend trips and visits and experience the theatre of various cultures whilst there.
- Pupils are exposed to language and practices of the performing arts industry in class – see curriculum mapping for more detail.
- Trips and visits allow pupils to experience aspects of the performing arts industry.
- BAME performers are highlighted and celebrated to all pupils in school via lessons.