

How often do we have Dance?

In Year 7 and 8 you have Dance lessons once a fortnight. In Year 9 the Performing Arts subjects (Dance, Drama and Music) are taught on a rotation, so you learn one discipline for 6 weeks before rotating. Therefore you cover two different topics in Dance over the whole of Year 9.

What should we wear for Dance?

Ideally you should wear your sport kit and have bare feet (for safety reasons) however we completely understand that it is difficult to wash and dry kit in the same week and so as long as students are wearing sport clothing, we do not mind the colours. Also as the doors are being kept open for ventilation purposes, we are allowing students to wear trampolining/yoga socks with non-slip sticky patches on the bottom.

What if I have no Dance experience?

This is no problem at all! The schemes we have are designed to gently introduce you to the 'world of dance' in a fun atmosphere.

What do we learn in Dance?

Students obviously learn specific Dance terminology, but they also develop other transferable skills that are useful in life such as: problem solving, collaboration, listening skills, reflection, organisation and time management.

What should I do if I cannot participate practically for some reason?

No problem at all, we just ask that someone from home send us a note either in the students' planner or via email. Students can then complete a written or more analytical task.

How are you assessed in Dance?

Students are graded with a Developing/Secure/Advanced/Exceptional see assessment criteria section. All students have a pre assessment which they watch back, noting WWW (what went well) and EBI (even better if), then selecting targets for improvement before the final assessment with the aim to improve grades.