

## **Curriculum overview – Drama**

### **KS3 - Drama overview**

We believe that Drama has an important role to play as part of a wide and varied curriculum that prepares students for life in and beyond Westfield School. We aim each day to provide students with experiences in which they feel challenged and supported and aim for all students to leave lessons with a sense of pride and achievement. Our focus at both Key Stages begins with high quality lessons which focus around a wide variety of skills, devices, styles and genres of theatre. Students will also participate in performances from published texts. As part of each one of these lessons students are also building a portfolio of personal and interpersonal skills and looking at themes and issues as a vehicle to create performance work. We also seek to offer students a variety of opportunities to extend their learning and achievement beyond the classroom. We have three main aims;

- To provide students with the personal and transferable skills they will need to be successful, no matter what they go on to do, such as confidence, creativity, communication and team work.
- To provide a broad and in depth knowledge of drama and theatre, allowing students to achieve highly at GCSE and giving them a strong platform if they wish to study Drama further.
- To explore a range of social, moral and cultural themes and issues prevalent in today's society.