

## Year 10 Dance Curriculum Rationale

Dance is a powerful, creative and expressive subject which encourages students to develop their creative, physical, emotional and intellectual capacity, building on previous experience in the subject. Students will understand and recognise the role of dance in young people's lives and will study a range of dance styles and style fusions. The course combines a contemporary solo performance alongside 2 set phrases, with the flexibility of pupils choosing any other style in which to perform and choreograph assessment pieces, thus offering a holistic development in a range of dance styles. The study of six professional works in the dance anthology develops pupil's ability to critically appraise professional dance works and provide a springboard for engaging in practical tasks. Dance GCSE provides students with the skills and experience to better prepare themselves for the demands of AS and A-level Dance, as well as a deeper insight into the professional industry.

Unit	Core knowledge/skill development:	Sequence:	Assessment	Literacy, numeracy, PSHE, FBV, other links	ACP and VAA development:	Home learning and enrichment
(Year 10 September – November)  Theory: Study of professional work piece 1 - 'Artificial things.' (6 studied across whole course)  Practical: Learn Set phrase 1 – Breathe. (2 set phrases taught and internally assessed/recorded in Jan of year 11)	3.3.2 Critical appreciation of professional set works. 1.'Artificial things.' by Lucy Bennett, StopGap Dance Company.  3.1.1 Solo performance – set phrase 1 Breathe (performance)	Theory - Introduces students to the analysis of professional works and looks at the history of the industry with links to Street Dance – often a popular style to start with. Provides a key insight to analysing dance performances, a skill needed for the rest of the course.  Practical - set phrase Breathe (contemporary based) develops students' physical skills needed:	Low stakes retrieval quizzes/forms quizzes/quizlets.  Breathe live performance: assessment 'mock'. Final recording to occur in Jan of year 11.  End of topic test on 'Artificial Things'. Application to previous exam questions.	SPAG- understanding mark schemes and answering developed answers for exam content in response to evaluating professional works.  Numeracy - understanding and applying rhythms, counts of music. Using counts of 8 to sequence a motif.	Linking- Connection finding  Hardworking – Practice  Analysing – Precision  Realising - Automaticity	After school Dance club to support progress.  Attending external dance classes to strengthen physical and performance skills.  Visits/watch videos at home of productions/shows to inspire and apply dance appreciation.



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		flexibility, balance, posture, alignment, strength, stamina, co-ordination				
Year 10 Mid November – December  Theory: study professional work 2 - 'A Linha Curve'	3.3.2 Critical appreciation of professional set works – 2. 'A linha curve' by Itzik Galili, a Rambert Dance Company	Theory: Contrasting professional work to show comparison and how dance appreciation differs on intent. Introduces another dance style/fusion.	Low stakes retrieval quizzes/forms quizzes/quizlets.  Duet/trio live performance: assessment 'mock'. Final recording to	SPAG- understanding mark schemes and answering developed answers for exam content in response to	Linking- Connection finding  Hardworking – Practice  Analysing – Precision  Realising - Automaticity	After school Dance club to support progress.  Attending external dance classes to strengthen physical and performance skills.
Practical: Duet/trio performance + programme note (combined with 2 set phrases = 30% of final grade)	3.1.2 - Duet/trio performance. min 3 mins showing performance skills and attributes.	Practical: performance in a group trio's (teacher led) guides pupils through the choreo process and developing technical skills. Sequenced here to ensure pupils are initially guided through the choreo process and to secure understanding for later when they must create own	occur in Jan of year 11. Performance section = 30% of final grade.  End of topic test on 'Linha Curve', and 'Artificial things'. Application to previous exam questions. Developing exam technique.	evaluating professional works.  Numeracy - understanding and applying rhythms, counts of music. Using counts of 8 to sequence a motif.	Empathy – concerned for society	Visits/watch videos at home of productions/shows to inspire and apply dance appreciation.  Revision DANCE GCSE booklet.



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		choreo that is assessed for final grade.				
<mark>Year 10 January –</mark>	3.3.2 Critical	Theory: Contrasting	Low stakes retrieval	SPAG-	Linking- Connection	After school Dance club
<mark>February</mark>	appreciation of	professional work to	quizzes/forms	understanding	finding	to support progress.
	professional set works	show comparison	quizzes/quizlets.	mark schemes		
Theory:	– 3. Within her eyes	and how dance		and answering	Hardworking – Practice	Attending external dance
Professional works	by James Cousins, the	appreciation differs	Shift live	developed		classes to strengthen
3 - 'within her eyes'	James Cousin	on intent. Introduces	performance:	answers for exam	Analysing – Precision	physical and
	Company.	another dance	assessment 'mock'.	content in		performance skills.
		style/fusion.	Final recording to	response to	Realising - Automaticity	performance skills.
Practical: Learn			occur in Jan of year	evaluating		Afternation to be a second
and perform set	3.1.1 Solo	Practical - set	11.	professional	Empathy – concerned for	Visits/watch videos at
phrase 2 – Shift.	<b>performance</b> – set	phrase Shift		works.	society	home of
	phrase 2 shift	(contemporary	End of topic test on			productions/shows to
	(performance)	based) develops	'within her eyes,	Numeracy -		inspire and apply dance
		students' physical	Artificial things and	understanding		appreciation.
		skills needed:	Linha curve'.	and applying		
		flexibility, balance,	Application to	rhythms, counts		DANCE GCSE booklet.
		posture, alignment,	previous exam	of music. Using		
		strength, stamina,	questions and	counts of 8 to		
		co-ordination	recalling prior	sequence a		
		needed for choreo	knowledge.	motif.		
		task later in course.	_			
Year 10 Mid Feb-	3.3.2 Critical	Theory: Contrasting	Low stakes retrieval	SPAG-	Linking- Connection	After school Dance club
<mark>March</mark>	appreciation of	professional work to	quizzes/forms	understanding	finding	to support progress.
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	4. Infra by Wayne	and how dance		and answering	Hardworking – Practice	



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Theory: Study Professional work 4 – 'Infra'  Practical: Choreography work/development in prep for Yr.11 Choreo piece.	Mcgregor, The Royal Ballet.  3.2 Choreography. Learning the practical skills of how to choreograph a set solo from an external stimulus. Action/space/dynami cs/relationships.	appreciation differs on intent. Introduces another dance style/fusion.  Practical: sequenced here to develop choreographic skills to prepare students for their final choreo piece in year 11 as cannot be recorded until year of qualifications.	End of topic test on 'within her eyes, Artificial things, Infra and Linha curve'. Application to previous exam questions and recalling prior knowledge.  Practical performances of own choreo prep, as a 'mock' in prep for year 11 final recording. Allows pupils to selfevaluate and develop own dance critique.	developed answers for exam content in response to evaluating professional works.  Numeracy - understanding and applying rhythms, counts of music. Using counts of 8 to sequence a motif.	Analysing – Precision  Realising - Automaticity  Empathy – concerned for society	Attending external dance classes to strengthen physical and performance skills.  Visits/watch videos at home of productions/shows to inspire and apply dance appreciation.
Year 10 April - May  Theory: Study Professional work 5 - Shadows  Practical:	3.3.2 Critical appreciation of professional set works 5. Shadows by Christopher Bruce, Phoenix Dance Theatre.  3.2 - Choreography.	Theory: Contrasting professional work to show comparison and how dance appreciation differs on intent. Introduces another dance style/fusion	Low stakes retrieval quizzes/forms quizzes/quizlets.  End of topic test on 'within her eyes, Artificial things, Infra, shadows and Linha curve'. Application	SPAG- understanding mark schemes and answering developed answers for exam content in response to evaluating	Linking- Connection finding  Hardworking – Practice  Analysing – Precision  Realising - Automaticity	After school Dance club to support progress.  Attending external dance classes to strengthen physical and performance skills.



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Pupils given previous 5 stimulus and have a preparation in planning own solo choreo.	Pupils work on creating own solo choreography in response to 5 stimuli's.	Practical: Sequenced to allow pupils to apply learnt/developed knowledge from prior taught unit and prepare to create own solo in prep/practice for their final choreo task which will be assessed when launched in Sept of Year 11 from AQA.	to previous exam questions and recalling prior knowledge.	professional works.  Numeracy - understanding and applying rhythms, counts of music. Using counts of 8 to sequence a motif.	Empathy – concerned for society	Visits/watch videos at home of productions/shows to inspire and apply dance appreciation.
Year 10 June- July  Theory: Study professional work 6 — Emancipation of Expressionism.  Practical: Own choreo continuation and refining.	3.3.2 Critical appreciation of professional set works 6. E of E by Kenrick H20 Sandy, by Boy Blue Entertainment.  3.2 - Choreography. Pupils work on creating own solo choreography in response to 5 stimuluses.	Theory: Contrasting professional work to show comparison and how dance appreciation differs on intent. Introduces another dance style/fusion. Final set work delivered. (All professional works required for exam content covered by end of year 10).	Low stakes retrieval quizzes/forms quizzes/quizlets.  End of topic test on 'within her eyes, Artificial things, Infra, shadows, E of E, and Linha curve'.  Application to previous exam questions and recalling prior knowledge.	SPAG- understanding mark schemes and answering developed answers for exam content in response to evaluating professional works.  Numeracy - understanding and applying	Linking- Connection finding  Hardworking – Practice  Analysing – Precision  Realising - Automaticity  Empathy – concerned for society	After school Dance club to support progress.  Attending external dance classes to strengthen physical and performance skills.  Visits/watch videos at home of productions/shows to inspire and apply dance appreciation.



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		Practical: Continuation of above to strengthen skills and performance elements in prep for choreo task in year 11.		rhythms, counts of music. Using counts of 8 to sequence a motif.		