

# RMGS

## DRAMA & THEATRE

### A Level (Edexcel)

A Level Drama & Theatre offers students a wide range of opportunities to explore options in acting and design. This highly creative and academic course provides a solid foundation for students wishing to pursue a myriad of career options post 18.

#### ***What are the aims of the course?***

- To promote an enjoyment of and an interest in drama and theatre both as a participant and as an informed member of an audience.
- To extend the skills, knowledge and understanding needed to communicate through drama and theatre.
- To develop an understanding and appreciation of the significance of social, cultural and historical influences on the development of drama and theatre.
- To experience a range of opportunities to develop a variety of dramatic and theatrical skills, enabling students to grow creatively and imaginatively in both devised and scripted work.
- To provide a worthwhile and complete course of study that broadens experience, develops imagination, fosters creativity and promotes personal and social development through the exploration of drama and theatre.

#### ***What does it involve?***

The course is taught in three components covering:

- C1: Devised drama
- C2: Performing from a scripted text
- C3: Responding to scripted texts from the perspective of actor, director and designer
- C3: Critically evaluating and analysing live theatre

#### ***How is it assessed?***

- Internal examination and external moderation of devised performances
- External examination and moderation of scripted performances
- Externally examined written paper
- Weighting divided amongst practical and written work

#### ***Are there any specific entry requirements?***

Students must have a 6 in Drama at GCSE and at least a 5 in English Literature. A commitment to extra-curricular drama is also preferred.

#### ***Why is it a useful qualification?***

The A Level in Drama & Theatre provides a strong foundation for those students wishing to pursue further study in the after they leave school. The course also enables students to gain access to a range of people-orientated careers.