



ERASMUS DARWIN ACADEMY

Excellence for All

Technical Award in Performing Arts (BTEC)

Aims

Performing Arts is a practical course enabling students to develop and extend their acting technique, develop key skills in performing arts as well as understanding the Performing Arts industry. Throughout this course you will work as part of a performing team to develop your creative ideas through rehearsal and performance. The course is aimed at students who are passionate about developing their acting skills, knowledge and understanding. Whilst exploring the professional sector, students should have a respect for collaborative learning, commitment and motivation to further explore roles, responsibilities, performance disciplines and styles.

Over the two years' students will specialise in developing their acting in a range of styles including contemporary, slapstick and physical theatre. In addition, students will also learn about working in the performing arts industry and the jobs and opportunities available in this sector. Students will also be supported through an extensive extra-curricular programme including the opportunity to participate in the annual school production, benefit from 1-1 afterschool sessions to work on group work and auditions as well as the opportunity to attend a range of visits and workshops.

The Course

The BTEC TECH Award consists of 3 Components:

- Component 1: Exploring The Performing Arts (Internally assessed)
- Component 2: Developing skills and techniques in the Performing Arts (Internally Assessed)
- Component 3: Performing to a Brief (Externally Assessed)

Assessment

60% of the course is assessed internally. This is calculated through explorative workshops, textual analysis, performance projects, performances, and theoretical sessions. Grades will be awarded at Level 1 Pass, Level 1 Merit, Pass, Merit and Distinction.

40% of the course is assessed externally. This is calculated through a devised performance alongside 3 milestones to justify how decisions have been made throughout the process.

Overall grades are calculated at Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction*.

Choose this course if..

- You have an interest in theatre & Performing Arts.
- You enjoy performing and want to develop a range of performance techniques that will develop life skills such as: public speaking, confidence and self-belief.
- You have an interest in a career within the arts industry whether that be as a: performer, director, drama therapist, lighting and sound technician or teacher. This course could also lead into a career within the film and TV industry.
- You enjoy working as a team to create inspiring and creative pieces of work.
- You wish to take part in productions and have the opportunity to attend a range of educational visits and workshops.

Post 16 Opportunities and Careers

Many skills you learn and develop on this course will be highly valued in your future, not just in the arts industry. If you do continue with Performing Arts, you will have an excellent foundation for BTEC Level 3 Performing Arts (Extended Certificate), GCE Drama and Theatre Studies or a Diploma in Creative and Media.

Exam Board Information

Pearson BTEC Technical Award in Performing Arts

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-tech-awards/performing-arts.html>

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