

Year 7 – Drama	
Summary of curriculum	The Smith's Wood Year 7 Drama curriculum prepares all pupils to create, perform and respond. When making drama students will be exploring characters and stories, sharing ideas and opinions. When performing drama students will present and produce, taking on the role of a character. Responding to drama will involve evaluating their own and others work to show their understanding and knowledge about drama
Main topics	<p>Autumn Term</p> <p>Foundation for Drama – Basic skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a basis of understanding and bank of skills for successful drama which includes key definitions and examples of essential explorative strategies used in Drama. <p>Factory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To introduce how to create and sustain characters and develop a performance using a variety of drama devices and acting skills. <p>Spring Term</p> <p>Shakespeare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An introduction to Shakespeare and to consider the themes and storylines that run through his work. <p>Our Day Out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate a character's personality, explore stereotypes, infer information about a character and create a montage using developed characters. <p>Summer Term</p> <p>The Twits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand, apply, and create a character using voice and movement. Create drama applying tension and atmosphere. <p>Bullying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore theatre styles and how it can be used. Explore gestus, multi-rolling, placards, direct address within a performance.
Assessment throughout the year	<p>Classroom assessment undertaken twice every half term. Students at KS3 will have feedback using Aspirational grades WT4, 5+ or 7+.</p> <p>Students will receive marks in line with the school marking policy.</p> <p>WAGOLLS (what a good one looks like) will be used with students in the classroom as a visual aid to success criteria.</p>
How parents can support their child's learning from home.	Live theatre opportunities.
Stretch & Challenge opportunities	<p>Weekly Drama club.</p> <p>Locally we have many theatres that we can access to deepen your child's understanding drama and theatre.</p>

	Birmingham Hippodrome, Crescent Theatre, Birmingham Rep, Alexander Theatre, MAC and The Core.
Useful websites	GCSE Drama - BBC Bitesize National Theatre Live Official website Filmed live theatre (ntlive.com)