

Drama

Policy for Talented Pupils.

Year 7

Talented children are noted from

- a) Weekly Drama club.
- b) Reference to Primary School records and Drama liaison with feeder schools.
- c) Drama teacher observation through nine week carousel activities.

Key Stage 3 Share Policy for Years 7, 8 & 9

Opportunities for development of skills are provided through:

- § Attendance at weekly Drama club.
- § Participation in Drama/Dance evening.
- § School productions as appropriate.
- § Individual coaching for Festival performances, eg. Harrogate Festival of Speech and Drama.
- § Invitations to theatre going.
- § Professional workshops – as available.
- § Involvement in the Connecting Youth Culture (CYC) Festival – whole school invitation.
- § CYC Summer School July 2004.
- § Playwriting skills development is encouraged through competition, eg “Write On” initiative at Harrogate Theatre. Nine successful staged entries from Year 9 in May 2004.

Key Stage 4

- § London theatre trip annually in the Summer term.
- § Continued local theatre-going opportunities.
- § Festival Work, eg pre and post show discussions with the Director and/or cast.
- § National School Shakespeare Festival – October 2003.
- § North Yorkshire Schools Drama Festival – October 2004. Pilot scheme participation.
- § Workshops, eg Women’s Theatre Group, Dramarama 2003.
- § Attending talks to give insight into Performing Arts from invited professional guests in school.
- § Talented pupil involvement in Activity Days at Forest School for Children with Special Needs. To be further developed this year.
- § Opportunity to develop performances with children from Feeder schools is to be encouraged.

Throughout the Key Stages a wide variety of opportunities is made available to ensure that our pupils develop social and artistic skills from their talented status.