



Teacher of Drama

Job Description

1. To teach Drama across the age and ability range
2. To attend department meetings
3. To keep abreast of curriculum developments in Drama
4. To contribute to the design, discussion and development of schemes of work in Drama
5. The ability to teach A Level Drama would be an advantage
6. To contribute to the extra-curricular activities offered by the department
7. To contribute to the Pastoral support of pupils including the role of Form Tutor
8. To fulfil all other aspects of associated with being a member of staff at Swakeleys School for Girls
9. The ability to teach a second subject within Performing Arts, music or dance, would be desirable but not essential

Person Specification

1. Qualified teacher status
2. Experience of teaching
3. Evidence of professional development
4. A thorough grasp of current curriculum issues in Drama
5. A commitment to teamwork within the Performing Arts department
6. A commitment to the ethos and values of Swakeleys School
7. A sensitivity to the social/cultural context in which the school operates
8. Tact, flexibility, reliability, a sense of humour and a willingness to work hard

Performing Arts

The Performing Arts Department is a lively and friendly team of specialist teachers. We are an outstanding department, consisting of skilled practitioners who contribute not only to the teaching and learning within Performing Arts, but also more widely throughout the school by our thriving extracurricular programme. We currently showcase drama, dance and music in the following events – Shakespeare Schools Festival, Winter Showcase, Celebration Evening, Music Evening, Dance Evening, Annual Musical and Summer Festival. These are popular events. Over 150 girls took part in the Winter Showcase and 90 took place in our latest production of “Matilda.”

We work together on long-term policies and have a well-developed bank of shared resources. We also develop a love and an enjoyment of the Performing Arts subjects.

Departmental aims

The Performing Arts Department aims to achieve the following:

- A rewarding and stimulating learning experience for students
- Students who enjoy performing in dance, drama and music
- Specific and measurable learning outcomes in preparation for examination
- A broad range of transferable skills and useful knowledge in preparation for further study and/or working life

How we teach

In Key Stages 3 students are taught music and drama once a week and dance fortnightly. In Key Stage 4 GCSE dance, drama and music run. In Year 13 we currently have A Level Music. We are well resourced and have a brand new dance studio, drama studio, recital room, music classroom, six practice rooms and use of the hall and PA system for performances.

Current courses on offer:

KS4 courses:

- **Year 9**
AQA Dance, Edexcel Drama, Edexcel Music
- **Year 10**
AQA Dance, Edexcel Drama, Edexcel Music
- **Year 11**
AQA Dance, Edexcel Drama