



Performing Arts Department

The Performing Arts department at Sir Christopher Hatton Academy currently consists of Drama, Media and Music. The purpose of this post is to bring together Performing Arts and PE into one faculty and lead the development of these key subjects.

Drama and Music are currently taught on a rotation for all students within Key Stage 3 and Dance is offered at KS3 through PE.

Our current KS4 offer is the Edexcel GCSE Drama and GCSE Music courses, with music technology students currently following the BTEC Level1/2 First Award in Music course, although there are plans to move to the V.Cert/NCFE Music Technology Course. Dance is offered at Key Stage 4 through the Edexcel Level1/2 BTEC in Performing Arts course

At KS5, A-Level Drama is offered and we also deliver the new BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music Technology – Sound Engineering.

The Performing Arts Faculty has its own self-contained accommodation which adjoins the PE Faculty providing a key physical link between the two faculties.

The majority of drama teaching at Sir Christopher Hatton Academy is based around a large drama studio which is equipped with a full digital lighting system, circular set drapes and simple sound system.

The main music classroom is equipped with 14 digital audio workstations linking with the fully equipped digital recording studio. The academy's hall is equipped with professional standard sound and lighting equipment to enable our students to engage in real world skills in lighting, sound and events management. Within the academic year 2019-2020 the school will take possession of the new build block within school, which accommodates a 250 seat theatre with full digital lighting rig and sound system, with control for this equipment in a purpose designed control room; this will provide additional teaching space for drama, dance and music technology.

Whilst a comprehensive extra extracurricular activities programme is offered by the faculty, it is anticipated that the successful candidate will review and extend this in line with the views of students.