

Year 7 Dance Curriculum Summary

Name of unit	Dance Skills
Why do we study this unit?	To gain knowledge and experience of the foundations of dance choreography and performance that will give you tools to create, perform and evaluate your own dances with confidence.
By the end of the unit, students will be able to....	Learn a set routine Work cooperatively in a small group to develop a motif using repetition, canon and change of movement order. Show performance skills such as focus, projection and timing. Identify strengths and areas for development using dance terminology.
Links to previous units	This is the first unit.
Key vocabulary	Unison, Motif, Motif Development, Projection, Focus
Week and summary topic	Knowledge and skills learned
1: Learning a routine to perform in unison	A set routine will be learnt which must then be practised in small groups, ensuring that the dance can be performed in unison.
2: Motif Development	The choreographic skill of Motif Development by working cooperatively in small groups to create students' own version of the dance through the use of canon, change of movement order and group shape.
3: Performance Skills	The skill of communicating with the audience through projection using energy and focus.
4: Rehearse, Perform and Evaluate	Rehearsal skills will be used in preparation for performing to others. Evaluation skills will be used to identify strengths and areas for development using dance terminology
