



Performing Arts Department Policy

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All Saints Church of England Academy Plymouth is an inspirational community of learning that puts faith in education. It provides a broad and balanced curriculum that strengthens the body, challenges the mind and nourishes the spirit, encouraging everyone to go beyond their best.

All Saints Academy Plymouth mission is based on four golden threads:

- FAITH – putting Christian faith at the heart of every action and providing a safe environment and caring ethos for all
- FOUNDATIONS – creating strong foundations in learning, behaviour and success for all
- FAMILY – understanding the importance of family, the value of community and ensuring support for all
- FUTURES – preparing for bright futures shaped from excellent progress, achievement and choice for all

This policy and the associated procedures are based on these principles, aims and beliefs.

The Performing Arts Department is made up of Drama and Music.

All Saints Academy Plymouth aims to provide Performing Arts opportunities that will enhance self-esteem and self-confidence for all, whilst identifying and nurturing the wealth of talent of our students to the best of their abilities. Our students will learn to work independently, as well as part of a team. They will learn to express their emotions in a safe environment.

The Academy understands that the Performing Arts are of great importance in the quest for educational success of the students.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that:

- The Performing Arts are promoted for all
- Creativity is encouraged to develop
- Self-confidence and self-expression blossom
- Aspirations are raised, as is cultural awareness
- There is active promotion of the Performing Arts in the wider community
- Opportunities are provided at all key stages to allow success through performance and display
- Students are given the opportunity to experience a wide range of visiting practitioners, professionals, workshops and visits
- Partnerships with local providers are further developed for the benefit of all
- Opportunities are provided for professional development of all faculty staff

The following curriculum time is being allocated to each of our subjects:

KS3 Music and Drama have one hour per week per discipline.

KS4 all option classes have 4 hours per fortnight in their chosen discipline.

The Academy has provision for extra-curricular activities in the Performing Arts.

The following activities have been offered in the last academic year:

- Drama club
- The Hub with TR2
- Christmas Show
- Theatre visits
- Workshop experience at TR2
- Singing group

- Guitar club
- School band
- Visits from professionals for coaching and workshops

At all Key Stages the Performing Arts are delivered by subject specialists, all of whom also hold QTS. Staff are supported by a link member of SLT, and an Arts Technician.

Regular meetings, both formal and informal, are held by department staff. This ensures collaboration, support and the sharing of ideas and best practice.