

## Curriculum information for PE GCSE Dance Year 11

<p><b>Which exam board and course are used?</b></p>	<p>AQA GCSE Dance</p>
<p><b>What curriculum topics are being covered this year?</b></p>	<p><b>Year 10:</b> Solo set phrases (Breathe and Shift). 4 Professional set works. Duet Technique/skills of a dancer. Choreography.</p> <p><b>Year 11:</b> Choreography 2 Professional set works. Critical appreciation of own work. All Practical assessments. Revision.</p>
<p><b>How many exams have students got and what is covered in each one?</b></p>	<p><b>1 practical exam:</b> 2 set phrases. 1 Duet/Trio. 1 piece of choreography.</p> <p><b>1 theory paper:</b> <i>Section A</i> – Knowledge and understanding of choreographic processes and performing skills. <i>Section B</i> – Critical appreciation of own work. <i>Section C</i> – Study and analysis of 6 professional works.</p>
<p><b>What should students be focusing on?</b></p>	<p><b>Performance:</b> Physical, technical, expressive, and mental skills.</p> <p><b>Choreography:</b> Selection and use of appropriate actions and dynamics, space and relationships, structuring devices, choreographic devices, aural setting, and performance environment.</p> <p><b>Theory:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the theory of choreography and associated key terms.</li> <li>• Understand safe dance practise.</li> <li>• Be able to define, explain and example physical, technical, expressive, and mental skills.</li> <li>• Study and understand 6 professional set works in detail, being able to compare them and give clear examples.</li> <li>• Analyse and evaluate own performances and choreography.</li> </ul>
<p><b>What is the best way for parents to support students in this subject?</b></p>	<p>-Encourage/support your child to attend clubs/ dance performances, shows and competitions in and out of school. -Support them in completing homework, set tasks and practical deadlines on time. -Encourage your child to maintain commitment towards subject and keeping physically fit and active to aid with practical elements.</p>

<p><b>What websites and resources would be helpful?</b></p> <p><b>What wider reading would be helpful?</b></p> <p><b>Where can I get resources?</b></p>	<p>A wide variety of Dance resources are provided through booklets and revisions aids.</p> <p>Students have access to the schools Planet E-Stream, where all the professional works are available to watch.</p> <p>Students can access the set phrase videos through the AQA website, either search for the subject or type in the URL below:  <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/resources/dance/gcse/dance/teach/set-phrases">https://www.aqa.org.uk/resources/dance/gcse/dance/teach/set-phrases</a></p>
<p><b>Have previous students got any tips or advice for this subject?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay organised and on top of deadlines, particularly within practical elements.</li> <li>• Use rehearsal time in school during class or lunchtimes to get help and refine practical aspects.</li> <li>• Use past papers to understand the structure of questions and technique required.</li> <li>• Watch the videos of the professional works as much as possible.</li> </ul>