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# SUBJECT:

# DRAMA

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**STATUS:** Authority Subject

**CODE:** DRA

**COST:** TBA

## **COURSE OVERVIEW:**

Senior drama is based on a two year uninterrupted course beginning in Year 11. Drama offers a wide range of experiences that allow students the opportunity to develop skills in communication, voice, movement, character interpretation, analysis and performance techniques. Each year level has the opportunity to view live theatre as part of both assessment and to gain an appreciation and understanding of theatre and how it works.

Drama is a creative subject that focuses on forming drama, performing drama, and analysing drama.

## **COURSE STRUCTURE**

Will include the study of:

- Improvisation
- Realism
- Comedy / Commedia dell Arte
- Greek and Shakespearean Tragedy
- Australian Drama
- World Theatre
- Theatre of the Absurd

## **ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES:**

Both Years 11 and 12 consist of practical and written assessment items combining the general objectives of 'Forming' – making drama, 'Presenting' – acting drama and 'Responding' – analysing and understanding drama. Students will be required to perform their assessment for the audiences throughout the course.

- Individual and group performance
- Play building
- Script writing
- Theatre analysis

## **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Due to the practical nature of drama, students will be required to attend live professional performances in and out of school (approx 1 per term). Students will therefore be required to meet these additional costs of performances or visiting artists. Total cost will be varied, depending on availability and location of performances.

