

# THE PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT AT KINGDOWN

This is an exciting time to join the Performing Arts Department at Kingdown and to be joining a team of staff who are passionate about teaching the Arts and the positive impact that these creative subjects have on the lives of our students. We are enthusiastic and committed professionals who aim to deliver high quality lessons in a positive and creative environment. The success of the faculty is due to the high expectations placed upon students and staff and the exceptional teamwork that is evident on a daily basis.

We are a small department and work closely with the drama & music departments.

The faculty structure for 2019/20 is:

Head of Drama and Performing Arts : Phil Partington
Head of Music : Jacob Cooper
Teacher of Drama : Kim Paper

Teachers of Performing Arts (part-time)
Emma Murray and Roberta Partington

The Performing Arts department is housed in a purpose built Performing Arts block. The accommodation is very good and consists of a faculty office, 2 drama studios (which open up to create a large performance space) and seminar room, changing rooms and Dance studio.

The department offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities with scope for further development and groups perform regularly in termly music concerts, awards assemblies, showcase evenings and in the annual school production in October. Recent productions include School of Rock, Fame and Beauty and the Beast.

# **Key Stage 3**

Students in Year 7 and 8 are taught two hours of music and drama over a two-week timetable. In Year 9 students currently opt for two subjects choosing from music, art, drama and performing arts.

In Performing Arts students respond to a range of stimuli in order to learn the devising process as well as looking at existing exemplars. Resultantly they develop their knowledge and skills as a performing arts company, serving as a perfect precursor to KS4 and 5.

#### **Key Stage 4**

At KS4 all four arts subjects are offered and performing arts is a popular subject. Students study the BTEC L2 TECH award in Performing Arts.

### **Key Stage 5**

Performing Arts is a popular option and students study the BTEC L3 Extended Cert in Performing Arts.

# **Overall**

The Performing arts Department is a very good Department, aiming to become outstanding. We are looking for a highly motivated teacher who will contribute positively to the team and help us move towards this goal.