**PE, MUSIC & DRAMA FACULTY**

Our PE, Music & Drama Faculty prides itself on being forward thinking and innovative, consisting of 14 specialist staff who teach students from KS3 to KS5. There are 10 PE teachers, 2 Drama teachers and 2 Music teachers who are highly passionate about their subject and dedicated to raising achievement and attainment at all Key Stages.

All 3 departments have their own workroom with individual work spaces. This helps to create a friendly and inclusive work environment for the Faculty. The HOF and HOD all have desks within these work rooms for continued support.

Teaching for PE takes place within our wide variety of sporting facilities, including a sportshall, dance studio area, school hall, newly refurbished fitness suite, gymnasium, tennis courts, large field and 3G. For music, we have our very own recording studio which provides mixing facilities for students to record, edit and publish their own digital musical products. The technology enables students to unleash their creativity and capture their ideas; to improve on their pieces and to polish their work to the standard of professionals. Incorporating 21st century technologies with the sound background in music provided through the curriculum delivered earlier in the school, Fullbrook students are creating the music of the future.

Fullbrook is proud to be able to provide a small theatre with retractable seating where smaller productions are performed during the year by students studying drama in Key Stages 4 and 5. The theatre provides a lighting board, projection facilities and sound systems, all used by students to create high quality theatrical productions. Concerts are also held in this facility throughout the year and students in Key stage 3 make use of the theatre in their drama lessons.

At A Level, PE offer two courses: OCR A Level in Physical Education and BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport. We also offer Music Technology and Drama and Theatre. Results are good and improving at A level, with 100% pass rates. All courses are popular with students and have good recruitment and retention rates.

The PE, Music & Drama Faculty is very well equipped with large variety of texts and resources, including teaching guides and planned schemes of work. The schemes of work are detailed but contain a considerable degree of flexibility with a variety of teaching styles being encouraged. These are supplemented by other resources, and in many cases, materials written by teaching staff.

All members of the faculty are encouraged and expected to be involved in the school’s professional development activities, promoting both their own and the department’s development. The Faculty takes extreme pride and pleasure in providing the largest opportunities for extra-curricular participation across the entire school. Currently we have an extensive array of sporting clubs to attend every week, including football, netball, rugby, gymnastics, cheer, dance, fitness, athletics, cricket, rounders, tennis, badminton and basketball. Students have the opportunity to take part in both inter-school and intra-school competitions at District, County and National level. We achieve great success at levels.

The school has a well-respected Concert and Jazz Band who perform regularly both at school events and at community venues. They also have an annual music tour. Students have a wide range of opportunities to become involved in the Arts, including Ukulele, Strings and Brass Band. There are numerous peripatetic lessons on offer, ranging from piano to guitar. Fullbrook additionally stages a highly regarded and successful musical production every other year where students are able to participate in rehearsals after school.

For KS3, students are taught in ability groups and all teachers follow the same programme to ensure consistency across the board. They are assessed every half term and progression is monitored over the year. Movement between sets is possible due to the centralised units of work, and as far as practical teachers take sets across the range of ability and age.

The school has an excellent VLE which is used to develop and stretch students, as well as setting homework and providing access to learning materials.