



# DANCE GCSE



## Examination Board:

AQA

## Assessment:

Written exam –40%

Non-exam assessment – 60%



## GCSE Dance

### **Component 1 Performance and Choreography**

Students will:

- Learn a range of set phrases through a solo performance (approximately one minute in duration)
- Perform as part of a duet/trio
- Create a solo or group choreography – a solo (two to two and a half minutes) or a group dance for two to five dancers (three to three and a half minutes)

### **Component 2 Dance Appreciation**

Students will:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of choreographic processes and performing skills
- Show a critical appreciation of their own work and critical appreciation of professional works

## What Will You Learn?

In performance students:

- Will learn about the skills required to develop physical, technical, expressive attributes and mental focus
- Will also learn about safe working practice

In choreography students:

- Will learn how to respond creatively to an externally set stimulus
- To choreograph your own complete dance. This will be presented as either a solo or a group dance

In appreciation students:

- Must be able to critically analyse, interpret and evaluate your own work in performance and choreography
- Demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of professional practice in six set works in the GCSE Dance Anthology

### **Who Is This Course For?**

Dance GCSE is for the students who enjoy being creative, exploring ideas and transposing those ideas into movement. If you have an ability to notice nuances between different dance styles and genres, and you are able to communicate your interpretation of dance in discussion and through written analysis. If you want to be able to show that you can express movement and can remain focused, committed and prepared to undergo the rigorous physical training, this is the course for you.

Attendance in Dance Clubs at Alderbrook is a benefit. However, some students pursue this course with no previous experience but a love for dance.

### **What Happens When You Finish? (Career Pathway)**

Completing this course will prepare you for a KS5 Course in Dance

### **What kind of job can I get if I study this Dance course?**

Choreographer	Community Dance Practitioner	Costume/Set Designer	Dance Performer	Dance/Arts Officer
Dance Education Specialist	Dance Film Maker	Dance Movement Therapist	Dance Journalist	Dance Lecturer or Academic Researcher
Dance Photographer	Dance Project Coordinator or Administrator	Press and Public Relations Specialist	Dance Teacher	Lighting Designer/Technical Production Manager
Choreologist (Someone who notates Dance)	Pilates Instructor	Dance Agent	Nutritionist for Dancers	Dance Critic