

Year 12 Dance students – Research

Congratulations on joining the BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Performing Arts; Dance course. Before the start of term in September there is some preparatory work you need to complete. You will be expected to produce evidence of the work in the first session in September.

Throughout the course you will develop an understanding of dance, different styles and techniques and the life of a professional dancer. You will explore this through a range of practical and theoretical lessons. You will participate in technique classes, work on your flexibility and creativity.

In preparation for September please research the following; please remember to reference all the websites you refer to and to put the information into your own words. Good luck.

1. Contemporary Dance

- What is contemporary dance?
- Where did it originate?
- How has contemporary dance progressed?

For the dancers/choreographers and companies below please research information on each. You could research the history of a specific dancer, create a timeline of some of their works or identify why they are significant in dance history. You can use pictures and or diagrams to assist with your research.

1. Martha Graham
2. Merce Cunningham
3. Richard Alston
4. Ashley Banjo
5. Katie Prince
6. Bob Fosse
7. Rambert Dance Company.
8. Matthew Bourne
9. New Adventures Dance Company
10. Balletboyz Dance Company