PRIORITY I

Increase the photography courses available in S3 by introducing an S3 progression course to prepare pupils for the NPA, in addition to the S3 photography skills course.

PRIORITY 2

Increase the courses available to senior students by introducing the National Progression Award in photography.





CAREERS

There are many career pathways connected to photography, some of which include:

Fashion Photographer, Scientific Photographer, Photojournalist, Photo editor, Product Photographer, Architectural Photographer, Sports Photographer, Forensic Photographer, Videographer, Film editor, Medical Photographer, Wildlife Photographer, Fine Art Photographer, Portrait Photographer, Wedding Photographer

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Mrs Graham (Curriculum Leader)

Ms Gilbert

Mr Kerr

Ms Campbell





COURSES OFFERED

We offer NPA Photography in S4 with the opportunity to progress to Higher Photography and Advanced Higher Art in S5/6 where pupils can choose Photography as their area of specialism.

NPA Photography

This course covers the following areas:

- understanding different photography genres and concepts
- practical skills in photographing people and places
- organising and working with photographic images.



Higher

The course encourages learners to be inspired and challenged by visually representing their personal thoughts and ideas through the medium of photography. Pupils will plan, develop and produce creative and technically proficient photographs. Pupils will develop knowledge and understanding of photographic techniques and processes and will learn how social, cultural, historical, and scientific influences impact on photographers' work and practice.



- Photography Project
- Question Paper

Advanced Higher

The Advanced Higher course is for pupils

who are seeking a platform to develop their personal creative approaches.

At this level, students choose to specialise in an area of art or design, for example: Photography.

HIGHLIGHTS

POSITIVE DESTINATIONS

Pupils who have studied Photography at Higher Level have been successful in applying to Further and Higher Education courses in Photography.

The Foundation Photography Course at Edinburgh College

BA (Hons) Photography, Napier University



PUPIL TESTIMONY



Atlas Coventry, S3 commented "Photography was a very unique course. It was definitely in my top 3 classes. I felt I learnt something new every time I was in the class and it was all so different compared to what I did in other classes. "

Cara McCutcheon, S3, commented "My favourite lesson of photography was when we did light graffiti with the glow sticks."

NEXT STEPS

PRIORITY I

Further increase the opportunities available for public performances to allow pupils to showcase their achievements and enable parents and carers to engage with their work.

PRIORITY 2

Increase extra curricular trips to allow all year groups to experience live theatre and engage in workshops run by qualified practitioners on a range of course elements.



PRIORITY 3

Introduce a junior and senior Drama club to allow pupils to network with others of various year groups and explore further the skills they have developed in class such as script writing, devising and directing.

CAREERS

There are many career pathways connected to Drama, some of which include:

Set Design, Directing, Marketing, Public Speaking, Costume Design, Make Up Artistry, Acting, Education, Lighting Design, Creative Writing and Script Writing, Fashion, Sound Design, Craft and Design, Drama therapy, Film &TV,

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DRAMA

Miss Duffield

Ms Bentley

COURSES OFFERED

We offer National 4 & 5 Drama in S4 with the opportunity to progress to Higher Drama and Advanced Higher Drama in S5/6.

National & Higher courses are assessed on the following components:

- Practical performance
- Theory exam

National 5

This course provides pupils with a broad practical experience of the theoretical and practical elements of Drama. Pupils can choose to be assessed in an acting or design role for their performance exam, and the theory paper allows them to develop skills in devising and evaluating their own work and that of others.

Higher

Pupils have the opportunity to further explore their acting or design role, as well as completing a theory exam. The theory exam has three components. The first two focus on exploring a set text from the perspective of an actor, director or designer, and the final section allows pupils to analyse a live performance they have seen. This course offers many opportunities to explore and enjoy live theatre.

Advanced Higher

The Advanced Higher course is for pupils who are seeking a platform to further develop as an actor. Many pupils use their practical monologue from the Advanced Higher course to successfully audition for university and college courses in Drama.

At this level, students prepare a monologue and an interactive acting piece for their practical performance exam. They also complete a written assignment and a dissertation on a performance issue which is of interest to them, allowing them to further explore the work of prominent theatre practitioners.

HIGHLIGHTS

POSITIVE DESTINATIONS

In the past 3 years, many students studying Drama have secured places in further education,

including:

Social Work at the University of Edinburgh

Drama at Edinburgh College

Acting at Edinburgh Napier University

Media at the University of Glasgow

Set Design at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

PUPIL TESTIMONY

"I recommend taking Drama as you get to learn new skills and develop your confidence" - Emma MacIntyre, S5

"I recommend Drama because it allows you to express your creative side" - Louis Greig, S6

"In Drama, I get to express my emotions through a character"- Cameron McBean, S5

"Drama helps you to develop communication skills" - Olivia Giggs, S5