

The Canterbury Academy

Excellence in Performing Arts



Part of The Canterbury Academy Trust

Gifted and Talented Performing Arts at Key Stage 3



'As much as possible, as often as possible, for as many as possible'

In partnership with Simon Langton  Grammar School for Boys to provide a grammar school band for boys and girls in a comprehensive school for all the talents

Four Pillars of Excellence

The Canterbury Academy is a school for all the talents

The Canterbury Academy wishes to offer children and parents an alternative to the binary choice of grammar school and secondary modern. The Canterbury Academy has, because of its size, developed a comprehensive provision and also sees educational and social value in having a diverse intake which reflects the society that the school serves.

The Canterbury Academy believes that 'all children walk with genius' and every child is good at something. In order to enable students to discover what they can be good at, or build upon that which they know they are, The Canterbury Academy is based upon a university style campus, with exceptional facilities, to offer 'a wealth of opportunity' and 'as much as possible, as often as possible, for as many as possible'.

All children have gifts. Some are talented in sport. Some are talented in the performing and visual arts. Some are practically gifted. Some have entrepreneurial flair. Some have academic gifts. Many students are good at more than one thing.

The Canterbury Academy offers students 4 pillars of excellence: in sport; in performing arts; in practical learning and enterprise education; and, in academic study.

Each student in Key Stage 3 has access to up to 6 hours of music, dance and drama every two weeks. The Academy's Junior Institute of Performing Arts enables students to experience workshops and perform with professionals from the industry, for a further 2 hours per week.

All students who join us through the selective performing arts pathway will automatically gain professional representation from our partnership with KSPA Agency (Kent School of Performing Arts), allowing students to audition for professional castings alongside their studies.

Outstanding Performing Arts Facilities

Students use our outstanding campus facilities regularly within their performing arts lessons and through the range of extra-curricular clubs that are on offer, providing performing arts pathways for all students to excel in their chosen art in a supportive, safe and inspiring environment.

- A dedicated Performing Arts Centre.
- 4 professional dance studios.
- 120 seat indoor performance space.
- Music technology suite.
- A professional music recording studio.
- Cinema/Lecture Theatre.
- Large hall with professional stage, lighting and sound equipment with seating for up to 600.

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Performing Arts Year 7 to 9

The Canterbury Academy has always embraced, and remains firmly committed to, the arts. Performing Arts is a specialism and Junior Institute of Performing Arts students will receive:

- Core performing arts lessons (4 hours per week).
- Potential early entry to GCSE Drama, Dance or Music
- Additional qualifications (e.g. Lamda exams, Rock School) working with other talented performing arts students.
- Links with, and visits to, University/Higher Education Institutions and drama schools.
- Access to workshops with professional practitioners from stage, screen and TV.
- A senior mentor to help balance the demands of professional auditions and outstanding Performing Arts performances with the demands of academic studies.
- Opportunities to perform at prestigious events.
- A huge range of extra-curricular clubs and work with theatre companies available.

Performing Arts Post 16

The Canterbury Institute for Performing Arts offers academies in acting, dance, music, musical theatre and production arts. The successes of some of our performing arts students have been truly astonishing. These include reaching the national finals of Britain's Got Talent, appearing in professional commercials, films and pop videos and, of course, going on to the best Universities, including RADA, Guildhall, Performer's College, Emil Dale, Urdang and Mountview.

Filming with prestigious casting agencies.



'A School for all the Talents'

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