



Date: Monday 31st March 2025
Our ref: MBE/sjt

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: LAMDA acting Examinations

I am pleased to announce that after the success of several solo exams, the Drama department is now able to offer an additional 9 coaching spaces for LAMDA acting examinations starting after the Easter holidays. LAMDA acting exams are designed to develop life skills such as clear communication, self-confidence, and teamwork through the creative platform of Drama. They offer an ongoing measurement of speech and drama progress, which benchmarks every stage of a student's development. LAMDA exams are strictly accredited and monitored by OfQual. The exams are designed for young people to help them improve and develop their self-esteem, vocal and physical skills as well as their creativity.

Students who choose to be part of this opportunity will need to attend LAMDA club every **Monday lunchtime in A1** as well as receiving 1:1 coaching. Coaching will take the form of a 15-minute private lesson per fortnight with either myself or Mrs. Lebeter (where students will come out of a lesson.) Students will be coached to create performances of 2 monologues which they will perform to a LAMDA examiner. Coaching and rehearsal sessions will be free of charge, but students will be required to pay for their examination fee approximately £55-£60. (Students in receipt of Pupil Premium will have the cost covered by the school).

We are now opening this opportunity to students in Year 7 as well as Year 8 and Year 9 with no previous LAMDA experience, please do not apply for this if your child has already done a LAMDA exam inside or outside of school. Due to the limited number of spaces available, please only apply if your child is enthusiastic, committed and really wants to do it! If a student repeatedly misses their coaching or lunchtime sessions, their space will be forfeited and offered to somebody else. You will be able to sign your child up for this on ParentPay from 4pm on Friday the 4th of April 2025. Places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs M Bell
Head of Performing Arts