**Performance and Arts Faculty**

*The beating heart of Hayesfield encompassing Art, Dance, Drama, Music. PE and Photography, the Performance and Arts Faculty is proud of the enriching and enjoyable curriculum and activities that it provides for Hayesfield students. We are a diverse faculty, but all subjects have at their heart the desire to inspire students with skills and values that will equip them across their whole lives as well as to provide an outstanding education experience.*

**Art and Photography**

The Art and Photography Department currently consists of two full time teachers and one part time. At Hayesfield, Art is a very popular, successful and vibrant subject in the school across all key stages. We are committed to good practice and hope to nurture and encourage individuality and creativity as well as exam success. We are a multi-disciplinary Department with a wide range of creative interests from ceramics to sculpture to photography and creative textiles.

**Music**

Music must be fun and open to all, but it is equally important to encourage students to aim for the highest standards, and then keep reaching.  There are so many opportunities for music making at Hayesfield, all lower school students have it as part of their curriculum and Year 7 can also opt for the HARMONY Masterclass, and at upper school and sixth form students are encouraged to participate even if they are no longer studying.  The many extra-curricular clubs are well supported, and students even run their own.  We are also lucky to enjoy the support of a great team of instrumental staff and the use of fantastic facilities.

**Dance**

Hayesfield Dance aims to be engaging, creative and encourage independence and confidence. Learning on choreography and movement in different dance genres/styles, the focus is to perform to the highest standard both in and out of the classroom. We are proud of the many dance opportunities at Hayesfield; uniquely in the area all lower school students have it as part of their curriculum and students can continue their study through both GCSE and A’ level. There is also the Hayesfield Dance showcase, the annual evening of dance, the Dance Umbrella and the Summer Gala as well as a thriving lower school Dance company who perform both in school and across the local community.

**Drama**

All of us require the confidence to voice our opinions and stand by our beliefs.  We need our voices to be heard and Drama helps in all of these areas.  Drama is a team activity, and we encourage our students to take independent responsibility for their learning; discussing, negotiating and compromising with each other. All students have Drama as part of their regular timetable in Years 7, 8 and 9 and can continue to study through both GCSE and A Level. They can perform in clubs, in school shows, assemblies and on their own for fun or to learn.  Drama is an essential social activity and one that enables us to learn about our past, our human qualities and our dreams and aspirations.

**Physical Education**

We aim to develop physical competence and personal qualities so that pupils are able to move efficiently, effectively and safely, and gain an understanding of what they are doing and why.  Lessons involve the development of qualities through maximum participation, awareness and observation with the emphasis on fun and enjoyment! Learning is supported and extended through the delivery of a vast range of extra-curricular activities that cater for both the recreational and competitive athlete, and PE is proving a popular option at both GCSE and A-Level. We are proud of all our students' achievements regardless of ability, and love to celebrate these with the school community in our weekly bulletins.

**Facilities**

The Performance and Arts Faculty are based in the West Wing, opened nine years ago and designed to provide an inspiring place to work and learn. Including the large and well-equipped sports hall, fitness suite, 300 seat Roper Theatre, Music Suite and 2 large Art studios the West Wing is the hub of the school. The PE department also enjoys the use of an outdoor all-weather pitch and grass and hard surface sports pitches across both campuses. Performance and Arts also have a Mac suite with 32 iMacs, a drama studio and photography dark room.

**Recent Exam Success Summer 2019**

GCSE % 9-5 A level A\*-C A level A\*-B

Art 100% 78% 48%

Photography 89% 78% 56%

Dance 80% 67% 33%

Drama 93% 60% 40%

Music 87% 100% 100%

PE 58% 100% 63%

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