



Church of England School
Head of School: Mrs N J Adamson MA NPQH

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Dear Parent/Carer,

GCSE Options – Drama

From September 2019 we will no longer be offering the BTEC Expressive Arts course at GCSE. However, with the new 2016 Drama specification, students have the option to take two pathways within the Drama GCSE. They can either choose the acting pathway or the technical pathway. This allows students to learn exactly the same skills as the Expressive Art course offered but means that they will end up with a GCSE instead of a BTEC award.

If your son/daughter is interested in the production elements of drama, such as lighting, sound or design, then they should opt to take Drama GCSE. Before opting for GCSE Drama with the intent to take the technical pathway, please ensure your child understands that there are still acting and written elements within this route and the course is not entirely technical based.

I have attached the web address for the specification if you would like to read about the course in more detail.

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/drama-2016.html>

Please feel free to email me at lcarroll@bishopramsey.school if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Drama



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