Struggling to decide which pathway you want to follow? Need some advice on whether to take Dance or not?

Look no further! If you enjoy dancing, creating and performing then dance is for you.

Dance is a fantastic way to experience learning outside of the classroom setting, where you are encouraged to think outside the box and where wild imaginations are welcome!

Qualification: GCSE
Examination Board: AQA
Specification Code: 8236

Topics Covered

During this course, you will be actively engaged in the process of dance to develop as an effective learner, increasing your knowledge as a performer, choreographer and reflective thinker.

You will develop:

- Your knowledge, skills and understanding of a range of dance styles through the process of performing, creating and appreciating dance.
- Your physical, technical and expressive skills through studio based practice.
- A critical appreciation of dance in its physical, artistic, aesthetic and cultural contexts through theatre visits, workshops, work with professional artists and watching performance work.

Assessment

Unit 1: Performance & Choreography - 60%

You will create one duet/trio performance and a solo performance where you will link the taught set phrases together - 30%. You will also choreograph a solo or a group piece - 30%

Unit 2: Dance Appreciation - 40%

A 1 hour 30 minute written exam assessing knowledge and understanding of choreographic processes, performance skills, appreciation of own work and professional dance works.

Course Progression

After completing your GCSE Dance course you can continue into AS/A level Dance here at Swanshurst Sixth Form.

Career Opportunities

With creativity and flexibility under your belt the world is your oyster! You could also go on to further careers in teaching, choreographing, a professional dancer, entertaining, arts administrator, movement therapist or physiotherapist.