Year 8: Assessment statements Subject: Dance



	Curriculum strand 1 –	Curriculum strand 2 – Choreographing	Curriculum strand 3 – Watching and
	Performing Dance	and Collaborating in Dance	Analysing Dance
Mastering	A confident and assured ability to effectively use a variety of physical and interpretive skills, such as	A confident and assured ability to work collaboratively with others. Able to support less confident members of the group during the	A confident and assured ability to analyse the work of others using dance terminology, justifying their decisions with examples of where
(Indicative of student who will go on to achieve a grade 7-9 at GCSE, if they continue to progress as they are).	balance, control, coordination, posture, focus, timing, musicality and facial expressions, to enhance their overall performance and communicate their piece to an audience.	choreographing and rehearsal process. To confidently select and use actions, dynamics, space, relationships and choreographic devices to convey or explore challenging themes and issues and communicate these themes to an audience.	dance skills and choreographic devices are seen. Able to consider the impact dance has upon an audience. Can explain in detail stylistic features in a dance style.
Advancing	A competent and consistent ability to use a variety of physical skills, such	A competent and consistent ability to take on the role of choreographer in group work, listen to others and accept their ideas. Able to use	A competent and consistent ability to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of a performance
(Indicative of student who will go on to achieve a grade 5-6 at GCSE, if they continue to progress as they are).	as balance, control, coordination and posture, to enhance the overall performance. Able to apply some interpretive skills to the work such as focus, timing, musicality, and facial expressions.	rehearsal time effectively to improve the work. Able to use actions, dynamics, space, relationships and choreographic devices to add interest to the work.	using dance terminology. Can justify the decisions with examples of where dance skills and choreographic devices are seen. Can explain stylistic features in a dance style.
Securing	A satisfactory ability to use a number of physical skills, such as balance,	A satisfactory ability to communicate well with different people. Able to plan and organise	A satisfactory ability to identify dance skills and choreographic devices within a performance,
(Indicative of student who will go on to achieve a grade 3-4 at GCSE, if they continue to progress as they are).	control, coordination and posture and maintain this throughout a performance. Able to apply basic interpretive skills to the work, such as focus and timing.	work, so it makes sense to the audience using actions, dynamics, space, relationships, and basic choreographic devices such as unison, canon, repetition and change of levels.	such as unison, canon, repetition and change of levels. Able to use basic dance terminology when evaluating the work of others and offer one suggestion on how to improve the performance. Can describe stylistic features in a dance style.
Foundation	An improving ability to use basic physical skills when performing such as balance and control.	An improving ability to collaborate well in a team, offering creative and imaginative ideas and listening to others. To suggest ideas to	An improving ability to explain what dance skills were used within a performance, referring to actions, dynamics, space and relationships.
(Indicative of student who will go on to achieve a grade 1-2 at GCSE, if they continue to progress as they are).	do paramete and connot.	improve the work of the group. To choreograph using actions, dynamics, space and relationships.	Able to comment upon their own work. Can list stylistic features in a dance style.