



1st March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

You are receiving this letter because your child is currently studying GCSE Drama. Students have started their non-exam assessment unit (coursework with external video moderation) of Devising Drama. This unit makes up 30% of their final GCSE grade (20% written portfolio, 10% performance) and will be completed by the time we reach the end of this school year in July 2022. In order to successfully complete this unit, pupils have to research, explore and develop a piece of original theatre from one of 10 given stimuli presented by the exam board and create a portfolio to accompany their final performance. In lessons we have already started to explore these stimuli and pupils will have a devising drama development day later this month. On this development day, pupils will pull their research and ideas together to create the outline for their final piece before starting rehearsals.

The **development day** will take place on **Tuesday 22nd March 2022**. Pupils will be based in the hall with Miss Warncken for the day and will need to wear drama-appropriate clothing – on this occasion this will be their PE kit.

The final Devising Drama **exam performance recording** will take place on **Tuesday 28th June 2022**. This will also be a full day in the hall and pupils will be required to wear their costumes for this recording.

The accompanying **portfolio** is to be submitted in full by **Tuesday 19th July 2022** – this portfolio makes up 20% of their final GCSE grade (the performance contributes to only 10% of their final grade).

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on k.warncken@passmoresacademy.com

Yours faithfully

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