

# Drama

'The arts play an important role in enriching young people's learning and educational experiences. Learning through the arts can engage and inspire young people, support key educational outcomes and develop skills that prepare young people for life beyond school. For many young people, particularly those experiencing the most disadvantage, the only opportunity to gain access to arts education is at school so we need to make that experience 'outstanding'.

Exposure to the arts can help to unlock potential in young people, developing skills in communication, problem solving and collaboration. Arts education can increase young people's interest in school and learning. All this is in addition to the joy the arts can bring to their growing lives and the enrichment it can bring as they get older.

**'Where good practice exists in schools, the benefits for young people are significant.'**

