



## Subject Name: Start of Year 10 Information

Cambridge IGCSE (Course Code: 0411)

### Starting in Year 10 (or during Year 9)

Welcome to IGCSE Drama at Dulwich College (Singapore). We hope you will enjoy the course and taking part in the Performing Arts at DCSG.

We have many extra – curricular opportunities available for students, please speak with your new drama teacher about what is available or view our booklet on the Firefly MyCollege pages.

### Areas covered during Year 9

- **Unit 1a: Building the Ensemble**
  - Activities to develop a strong sense of ensemble within the class
  - Exercises and games to get to know each other
- **Unit 1b: Devising Toolkit**
  - Strategies for devising original pieces of theatre
  - Creation of a group devised performance.
- **Unit 2: Mock Solo Performance**
  - Developing individual acting skills
  - Performing a devised and self-scripted monologue
- **Unit 3: Tech and Design**
  - Learning about set, lighting, sound and costume design
- **Unit 4: Mock Scripted Performance**
  - Group performance of a script.
  - End of year written exam focusing on ideas for the performance of that script

### Work to complete before you arrive (optional)

Year 9 focuses heavily on creating movement for performance, watching these videos will help you understand how this works better:

- [Frantic Assembly](#)
- [National Theatre](#)

In addition, it would be helpful if you were familiar with the key terminology of **Tension States** and **Laban efforts**. Research these acting terms and create a poster or visual reminder of the 7 tension states and 8 Laban efforts that you can refer to throughout your course.

### Additional resources

[This is an excellent devised performance](#) by international company Gecko

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