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BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts, Dance Pathway,

Course Length: 2 years

Developing theschool's Post-16 Level 3 National Diploma in contemporary dance has long since been the aim of theschool. Key to creating a diploma was to create a programme that offered the passionate dance student the chance to work with a dedicated team of choreographers, dance teachers and art professionals providing access to the highest quality of training for those who wish to follow a vocational dance career. Therefore, theschool has partnered with Nailsea School's 6th form program, who as the lead centre supports theschool in the delivery of the Level 3 National Diploma BTEC dance course.

theschool's commitment is to not only develop our students technical and expressive dance skills but to also support the growth of the individual student into becoming an independent artist who wants to explore their creativity whilst gaining the confidence in the skills needed, being ready and adept to take on the challenges and demands of the dance industry as it is today. However, we do not believe in nurturing talent just for today but to take on the demands of the industry as it grows tomorrow.

The course is a government funded* recognized qualification that is equivalent to 2 A' Levels allowing the student a cross study pathway that carries UCAS points recognized by HE providers as contributing to the admission requirements to many relevant Degree courses. The BTEC diploma qualification offered by theschool combines well with many other subjects, on offer as part of Nailsea Schools Sixth form subject choices, and when taken alongside another Level 3 qualification, offers the opportunity to progress to a wide range of degree programmes, depending on the additional subject(s) studied. This can include many related to the performing arts, sport sciences and more.

Nailsea's Sixth Form is a vibrant learning community with a range of educational opportunities, targeting different levels of learning. Students learn to work independently and are encouraged to think widely about their future aspirations.

The self-contained Sixth Form area is designed to support the independent learning of the older year groups, with group and individual study areas. Nailsea School Sixth formers go on to excel in securing places at top universities, taking up prestigious apprenticeships, fulfilling ambitions and securing work in a range of sectors.

Ofsted: "As a result of good teaching and the broader experiences to which they are exposed, students are well prepared for the next stage in their education, training or employment."

Name of regulated qualification	
QAN: 601/7232/0	Title: Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts (720 GLH)

The Performing Arts Sector

The performing arts are a major part of the creative industries in the UK. Overall, the industry contributes approximately £4 billion to the UK economy and is a major employer.

The UK's performing arts sector is vibrant, varied and hugely successful. It is a growth industry that offers diverse employment opportunities, for example in dance, drama, music, theatre, film, puppetry, costume design, directing, set design, make-up or special effects, as well as in the support functions and roles that bring these art forms to the fore.

Who is this qualification for and what can it lead to?

The course is for post 16+ learners and is a government funded recognized qualification that is equivalent to 2 A' Levels allowing the student a cross study pathway that carries UCAS points recognized by HE providers as contributing to the admission requirements to many relevant Degree courses. The BTEC diploma qualification offered by the school combines well with many other subjects, on offer as part of Nailsea Schools 6th form subject choices, and when taken alongside another Level 3 qualification, offers the opportunity to progress to a wide range of degree programmes, depending on the additional subject(s) studied. This can include many related to the performing arts, sport sciences and more.

*Potential degree courses include:

- BA (Hons) in Dance, if taken alongside another A Level in dance or drama
- BA (Hons) in Music, Theatre and Entertainment Management, if taken alongside a BTEC National in Business
- BA (Hons) in Theatre and Screen: Theatre Design, if taken alongside a BTEC National in Art and Design
- BA (Hons) in Drama and Event Management, if taken alongside a BTEC National in Creative Digital Media Production
- BA (Hons) in Creative Writing/Dance, Scriptwriting and Performance, if taken alongside an A Level in English Literature
- BA (Hons) in Dance and Movement Studies and History, if taken alongside an A Level in History.

*Students should always check the entry requirements for degree programmes at specific HE providers.

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts - Dance

What does this qualification cover?

During the course you will study mainly through practical dance classes and workshops along with graded course work tailored to meet the standards and expectations of a professional dancer in training.

Students will study:

- Contemporary Dance, Urban/Commercial, Ballet along with world dance styles.
- Investigating Practitioners' Work: Graham, Akram Khan, Cunningham, Limon, Pina Bausch etc.
- Group Performance Workshop
- Individual Performance Commission
- Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance
- Performing Arts in the Community
- Final Live Performance to an Audience.

This qualification enables students to acquire substantial crosssector knowledge, as well as practical skills for the ever-demanding dance world. Students will receive individual attention, tutorials along with excellent pastoral care during and after the programme supporting the student onto their next stage of training or employment.



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Why choose the school

the school has always prided itself on its commitment and dedication to providing a high standard of *dance training to our students via the delivery of our dance classes through established and experienced teachers, choreographers and theatre makers who have trained and continue to perform nationally and internationally with connections to LCDS, Laban, Rambert, Goldsmiths University, Joffrey Ballet School, N.Y. Graham School N.Y. Limon Institute N.Y. Cunningham School N.Y. Our mantra is belong, believe and become and that is at the core of all our training at the school.

*Students studying on our BTEC Level 3 National Diploma course will also be able to access a host of additional dance training outside of the qualification. In addition to the necessary Level 3 funded units, students have the option to benefit from a wealth of additional training, through the purchase of a 10-class dance card at only £55.00, giving students the freedom to create a more individual tailored training to meet their needs, should they so wish.

Will the qualification lead to employment, if so, in which job role and at which level?

This qualification is primarily designed to support progression to study at University, Dance School or Institute. However, it also supports students choosing to progress directly to employment, as the transferable knowledge, understanding and skills will give students an advantage when applying for a range of entry-level roles in occupational areas, such as acting, dance, musical theatre, teaching and education, health and the creative arts industries.



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If there are larger and/or smaller versions of this qualification, or is it available at different skill levels, why should the student choose this one?

The **Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts Dance** is equivalent in size to 2 A' Levels. It is an ideal qualification to take where performing arts is the student's main interest in order to progress to a Foundation Degree or Higher National Diploma, or alternatively, to a full degree if taken with another Level 3 qualification.

This qualification is supported by the following organisations

Higher Education

London Contemporary Dance School

Laban

Rambert

Other dance degree programs

Roehampton

University of Exeter

University of Huddersfield

University of Chichester

Kingston University

University of the west of England

And many more

Professional and trade bodies

Equity

Employers

The Royal Ballet School

JumpStartMove

Living the Dream

Vibrant Networks

Act On It

Gate Theatre Notting Hill

AKA

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Application Procedure

Entry to the Sixth Form is not automatic, but depends on:

Achieving 5 grade 4s or above for entry to level 3 courses and meeting the individual entry requirements of your chosen Level 3 courses.

How to Apply:

Applications for the school's BTEC Level 3 performing arts (dance pathway) program have to be made online via Nailsea Schools, Sixth form section of their website <http://www.nailseaschool.com/sixth-form/welcome-to-sixth-form/> follow the link to the online form, and fill out the application. Applications should be received by **13 December 2019** Nailsea Schools application form will go live after the Sixth form Open Evening on the 21st November.

Please find below Nailsea Schools requirements regarding course requests

Nailsea School plan the timetable in the light of course requests as submitted on **13 December**, aiming to minimize conflicts between particular combinations of subjects. You will be told as soon as possible if your initial requests cannot be met. However, we recognize that there may be changes of mind up to September, especially after GCSE results. If you do change your initial course requests, please email Mr. Reddiford, Head of Sixth Form, Nailsea School as soon as possible JReddiford@nailseaschool.com We cannot guarantee to meet late requests or to find places on courses which are already full, so priority will go to those who opt in December and meet exam requirements, rather than those who make later choices.

Please Note Students who do not achieve a 4 in either English language or literature will need to re-take English language. Likewise, students who do not achieve a 4 in Maths will need to re-take. Provision is made for this.

An entry in this prospectus is not a guarantee that a course will definitely run from September 2020 or that all combinations of courses will be possible. Like all Sixth Forms, we must relate student numbers to an efficient use of teaching time. We plan the timetable to meet as many course choices as we can, and we will inform you promptly if a given subject or combination of subjects appears impossible.

If a course is undersubscribed, rather than not running it, we will seek to run the course in conjunction with another provider.

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