

August 2018
Stage 4 Creative Drama

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new term and an exciting year ahead!

Welcome to those students that are new to this class, welcome back to those returning to a new term and the beginning of our academic year. We hope you all had a great summer and have returned with bundles of enthusiasm, energy and creative ideas to get this term off to a great start!

Term 1

During this term in Stage 4, students will be exploring the theme of Myths and Legends, exploring a selection of stories from Africa (The Enchanted Gourd), Ancient Greece (Icarus) and Olde England (George and the Dragon). As well as exploring what a Myths or Legends actually are. We will look at the elements that make a good story, how they are structured and what happens when a story is passed down from generation to generation.

The scheme of work planned for this stage takes students through a series of lessons looking at the stories. In each class we will take these stories and the surrounding themes and bring them to life allowing situations, narrative and scenarios to develop from this initial spring-board. Students will be involved in exploring the many ideas that arise from discussion, improvisation, devising and using creative drama, to create characters, situations, stories and scenes. Experiential learning takes play as the students step in to the shoes of characters and play out the different situations, in these carefully planned classes. We also use drama games, exercises and role-play to achieve our lesson, dramatic, social and emotional aims. As the students take on the various roles from the story the students explore the characters vocally and physically. The children work very much as an ensemble with opportunities to take the focus of the group in a supportive, and encouraging environment.

Term 2 – In Term 2 you will receive a report outlining your Child's progress.

Term 3 – In Term 3 of our year our students will return to these stories and others explored though the year for their class presentation, where they will work to prepare & present scenes from the story.

Parents please read the attached document titled 'What is Creative Drama?' to understand clearly our aims and objectives for these classes and the value of Creative Drama at Centre Stage and what this offers your child.

As it can be a little rushed in between classes if you have any questions about the class or your child's progress please don't hesitate to email your child's teacher at info@centre-stage.com or give them a call on 6732 7211 and for classes at our East centre east@centre-stage.com and 64496211

Please also like our two facebook groups and ask to join our closed group to see photos and videos regularly posted of what we do in class.

Very best Wishes

Centre Stage Team

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