

## **Year 7 Dance Curriculum Summary**

Name of unit	African Dance
Why do we study this unit?	To learn a cultural dance that is the foundation for so many other dance styles. Through African dance we look at dynamics and stylistic qualities
By the end of the unit, students will be able to	Perform a range of African Dance steps showing the correct stylistic qualities and dynamics Work cooperatively in a group to create an African Dance that uses a range of dance relationships.
Links to previous units	Use of space and dynamics covered in previous topics will be revisited. Performance skills previously taught will be developed further
Key vocabulary	Dynamics, Relationships, Formation, Call and Response, Mirroring
Week and summary topic	Knowledge and skills learned
1:Learning African steps	The key characteristics of African Dance How to do an African Dance warm up How to perform a range of African steps showing and recognising stylistic qualities and dynamics
2: Dance Relationships	How to use a range of dance relationships such as mirroring, call and response, group formation to create a small group African Dance.
3 Using rhythms through Gumboot Dancing	Understand the history of Gumboot dancing and why it was important Learn a stomp routine and develop in small groups.
4: Create own dance	Group choreographic skills, using everything learnt so far on African Dance to create a piece for performance.
5: Rehearsal and Performance	Performance of African dances showing stylistic qualities and performance skills
6:Evaluation and	The skill of evaluation using trio talk to set and work on targets

Target setting using trio talk	for further improvement
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