



S6 Technical Theatre candidate

Secondary School in Fife

This year, our school has delivered three Technical Theatre Units with an S6 candidate.

The student studies Advanced Higher Drama and has an additional 6 periods in his timetable to study and practice for the following Units.

- ◆ Technical Theatre in Context (SCQF level 6)
- ◆ Theatre Stage Lighting Operations (SCQF level 6)
- ◆ Technical Theatre Production Operations (SCQF level 6)

There had been a precedent in our school for students at S6 to study 12 periods of one subject - Art and Design has a portfolio Course as well as Advanced Higher Art. We made the case that this student was interested in pursuing Drama in further education and this was similar to the Art provision.

In his additional time-tabled periods he has delivered technical theory lessons to junior classes and Intermediate 2 classes, operated for Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) junior productions and provided technical support across the department generally.

This student has also put in a lot of extra time out with the school day - rigging, designing and operating lights for S4 productions and the Higher Drama Unit productions - all of which he has documented in his folio. He has also gained professional work experience.

We are planning to mount a senior production in June and tour to the Edinburgh Festival for which the student had been planning the design and gaining evidence of different performances spaces/requirements.

The evidence requirements have not been over onerous and work has been completed successfully in this case because of the maturity and self motivation of this student.