



Student Name) – (Student Tutor Group)

09 February 2026

Dear Families

The year 11 performing arts and dance students are currently working on *Component 3: Responding to a brief* which is the final component of their course. This unit of work is assessed by the exam board and is worth 40% of their final grade.

Component 3 is made up of milestone activities; three of these are written assessments and the fourth is a practical performance. The written milestones focus on different parts of their practical work development. Below are the dates the students will be sitting these assessments.

- Milestone One: Initial ideas - Thursday 12 February 2026
- Milestone Two: Skills log - Thursday 26 March 2026
- Milestone Three: Workshop performance - Thursday 23 April 2026
- Milestone Four: Evaluation log- Tuesday 05 May 2026

The students will complete the written milestones in exam conditions. They have one hour to complete each activity and are allowed to take in one page of notes to support them. Before each written assessment we support the students in lessons to plan their answers. We have found that students who write a draft answer get the best grade in this component and set this as classwork and homework before each assessment. This enables us to give personalised feedback and support before the assessment and shapes what they write for their notes.

We would like to invite you to watch their final performances. They will take place on Thursday 23 April 2026 starting at 4.00pm in P02. Please complete the attached form [here](#) to confirm you give consent for your child to stay for their exam after school and to let us know if you will be able to join us.

If you have any questions about the exam or the course please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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