[SUBJECT] Year 8 Curriculum Map 2026/27

Week Commencing	Lesson topic	HAIL	Assessment
Staff INSET 01/09 Students Return 02/09	A look at the styles to be studied over the course of the year and how students will be assessed.		
07/09/2026 14/09/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Discussing the choreographing and learning the repertoire form 'You can't stop the beat'. Working on ASDR and movement memory. **Watch task:** You can't stop the beat: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AZnt-0fEiT0	Research of professional work. To be presented in a creative manner chosen by the student.	
21/09/2026 28/09/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Discussion on performance skills used in Hairspray. Recall previous repertoire and learn a new section focusing on unison. **Watch task:** You can't stop the beat: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AZnt-0fEiT0	Practice your Hairspray repertoire.	
05/10/2026 12/10/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Discussion about different types of performance space. Application of knowledge to develop a performance. **Watch task:** Good Morning Baltimore performed on a cruise ship: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rUYadmWS4fQ	Draw out your chosen performance space and design the set you would use.	
19/10/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Recalling and describing the ASDR used in 'You can't stop the beat'. Creating action content in the style of musical theatre. **Watch task:** Making of Nicest kids in town: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beUy4JylE1g	Practice 'You Can't Stop The Beat' in preparation for your assessment next lesson..	**AR1**
October Half Term			
02/11/2026 09/11/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Recalling and describing the ASDR used in 'You can't stop the beat'. Creating action content in the style of musical theatre. **Watch task:** Making of Nicest kids in town: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beUy4JylE1g	Practice 'You Can't Stop The Beat'	**AR1**
16/11/2026 23/11/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Recalling and describing the ASDR used in 'You can't stop the beat'. Refining action content in the style of musical theatre. **Watch task:** Making of Nicest kids in town: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beUy4JylE1g	Practice 'You Can't Stop The Beat' in preparation for your assessment next lesson.	
30/11/2026 07/12/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics:** Assessment of Jazz performance material and choreography. **Watch task:** West Side Story Flash mob New York: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTtYu1djG90	Evaluate both own and groups performance looking at areas of strength and areas for improvement.	
14/12/2026	**Musical Theatre – Hairspray** **Topics**: DDI looking at wave 1 and 2. Wave 1: Improvement of practical work Wave 2: Improvement of contemporary knowledge **Watch task:** The evolution of dance - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p-rSdt0aFuw&list=RDp-rSdt0aFuw&start_radio=1	Completion of DDI worksheets.	
Christmas Break			
04/01/2027 11/01/2027	**World Dance – Gumboot** **Topics:** To develop an understanding of Gumboot Dancing/Stepping. **Watch task: Gumboot dance -** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fYYYymWvhAI Stepping link - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V0Y02IcIUxA	Revise from the choreographic devices/African Dance section of your knowledge organiser	
18/01/2027 25/011/2027	**World Dance – African Dance** **Topics:** Create and perform in the style of traditional African dance **Watch task:** The Dance Hall | A-Z OF AFRICAN DANCE | (youtube.com)	Revise from the choreographic devices/African	**AR2**

		Dance section of your knowledge organiser	
01/02/2027 08/02/2027	**World Dance – African Dance** **Topics: C**reate and perform in the style of traditional African dance using choreographic devices. **Watch task:** The Dance Hall | A-Z OF AFRICAN DANCE | (youtube.com) Sherrie Silver - Marimba Rija Remix Dance Choreography, ft Ghetto Kids (youtube.com)	Revise from the choreographic devices/African Dance section of your knowledge organiser	**AR2**
February Half Term			
22/02/2027 01/03/2027	**World Dance – African Dance** **Topics: To** perform and evaluate our African dance choreography. **Watch task:** The Dance Hall | A-Z OF AFRICAN DANCE | (youtube.com) Sherrie Silver - Marimba Rija Remix Dance Choreography, ft Ghetto Kids (youtube.com)	Revise all the key features from the topic specific section of your knowledge organiser	
08/03/2027 15/03/2027	**World Dance – South Asian Dance** Topics: To develop an understanding of traditional Indian Dance/Kathak. **Watch task:** TED Talk on Kathak dance - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz_Tpp0q73A	Revise from the choreographic devices/Bhangra section of your knowledge organiser	
22/03/2027	**World Dance – South Asian Dance** Topics: To develop an understanding of traditional Indian Dance/Kathak. **Watch task:** TED Talk on Kathak dance - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz_Tpp0q73A	Revise from the choreographic devices/Bhangra section of your knowledge organiser	
Easter Break			
12/04/2027 19/04/2027	**World Dance – South Asian Dance** Topics: To develop an understanding of traditional Indian Dance/Kathak. **Watch task:** TED Talk on Kathak dance - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz_Tpp0q73A	Revise from the choreographic devices/Bhangra section of your knowledge organiser	
26/04/2027 03/05/2027	**World Dance – Bhangra** Topics: To develop an understanding of traditional Indian folk Dance/Bhangra **Watch task:** Bhangra dance off **-** **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gFBOfGbHDPU**	Revise from the choreographic devices/Bhangra section of your knowledge organiser	
10/05/2027 17/05/2027	**World Dance – Bhangra** Topics: To perform and evaluate our South Asian dance choreography **Watch task:** Akram Khan Giselle - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AcBuahXSiWU	Revise all the key features from the topic specific section of your knowledge organiser	
24/05/2027	**World Dance – Bollywood** Topics: To develop an understanding of Bollywood dance **Watch task:** Bollywood celebration - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5D7ixc54mc	Revise from the Bollywood section of your knowledge organiser	
May Half Term			
07/06/2027 14/06/2027	**World Dance – Bollywood** Topics: To develop an understanding of Bollywood dance **Watch task:** Bollywood celebration - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5D7ixc54mc	Revise from the Bollywood section of your knowledge organiser	
21/06/2027 28/06/2027	**World Dance – Bollywood** Topics: To create and perform in the style of Bollywood dance. Watch task: **Sumon Rudra Choreography -** **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SacuV0kEQIA**	Revise all the World Dance styles/key features in your knowledge organiser	**AR3**

05/07/2027 12/07/2027	**World Dance – Bollywood** Topics: To perform and evaluate our South Asian Dance choreography **Watch task:** Bollywood flashmob - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WiARWF73C9w	Revise from the Bollywood section of your knowledge organiser	**AR3**
19/07/2027	**World Dance – Bollywood** **Topics**: DDI looking at wave 1 and 2. Wave 1: Improvement of practical work Wave 2: Improvement of contemporary knowledge	Completion of DDI worksheets.	