



Notting Hill Prep

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NHP Performing Arts Overview

The table below gives an overview of opportunities for performing in each year group at NHP.

As well as what is outlined in the table, children have various opportunities to build their drama skills, including joining after-school drama and dance clubs. They showcase their skills in performances for their families at the end of each term. Additionally, pupils in Years 7 and 8 are encouraged to share their drama performances with Middle school pupils throughout the year; offering informal performance opportunities and inspiring younger children.

Many children in Middle school are also involved in choir and instrumental performances for the Christmas and Spring Concerts.

All Upper School children perform at the Christmas concert, and members of our choirs and ensembles showcase their repertoire at the Spring Concert too. Accomplished soloists are invited to perform at these and other high-profile events. In the spring term, children in Years 6-8 can audition to be part of the Theatre Club. Children who gain a place in the club will be part of a summer gala performance to showcase their talents.

In addition to timetabled class music and drama lessons, we offer 1:1 music lessons in ten instruments and these are complimented by Little Strings for beginning string players, Violin Group, Recorder Group and Guitar Club. Orchestra is open to all children of a grade 1+ standard. NHP runs choirs open to all children throughout the school, as well as Recital Choir, which is reserved for accomplished singers in Years 6-8. Bi-weekly Early Morning Recitals are informal concerts at which children can perform repertoire they are working on. In addition, children in Years 4-6 are invited to join forces with five local schools and attend the Notting Hill Children's Community Choir. This choir runs weekly throughout autumn and spring terms.



	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Rec	<u>Nativity Performance</u> (Rec and Y1) Debutots Drama workshop		<u>Class assemblies</u>
Y1	<u>Nativity Performance</u> (Rec and Y1)	<u>Class assemblies</u>	
Y2	<u>Harvest Performance</u> <u>Christmas Assembly</u>	<u>Class assemblies</u>	<u>End of Year Celebration</u>
Y3	<u>Pantomime Performance</u>	<u>Class assemblies</u> <u>Spring Concert</u> (Selected Y3-8) Parents of performers are invited to attend	
Y4	<u>Class assemblies</u>	<u>Play with Songs</u> <u>Spring Concert</u> (Selected Y3-8) Parents of performers are invited to attend	
Y5	<u>Poetry Week Performance</u> <u>Christmas Concert</u> (Y5-8)	<u>Dukes Festival of the Arts (2025 only)</u> (children who have chosen to take part from Y5-8) <u>Spring Concert</u> (Selected Y3-8) Parents of performers are invited to attend	<u>Residential Performance</u>

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Y6	<p><u>Christmas Concert</u> (Y5-8)</p>	<p><u>Dukes Festival of the Arts (2025 only)</u> (Y5-8)</p> <p><u>Spring Concert</u></p> <p>(Selected Y3-8) Parents of performers are invited to attend</p> <p><u>Upper School Theatre Club Whole School Assembly Performances</u></p> <p>(Y6-8 pupils audition for a place)</p> <p><u>Class Assemblies</u></p> <p>(during post 11+ programme)</p>	<p><u>End-of-Year Celebration</u></p> <p>Children take part in a week-long Performing Arts experience resulting in a performance for their families at the end of the week.</p> <p>This will be led by a Performing Arts Company of professional actors.</p> <p><u>Upper School Theatre Club Gala Performance</u></p> <p>(Y6-8 pupils audition for a place)</p>
Y7 & Y8	<p><u>Christmas Concert</u></p> <p>(Y5-8) Invited guests to attend</p> <p><u>Y7 Class Assembly</u></p> <p><u>Y8 Class Assembly</u></p>	<p><u>Dukes Festival of the Arts (2025 only)</u></p> <p>(Y5-8) Ticketed event</p> <p><u>Spring Concert</u></p> <p>Selected pupils (Y3-8)</p> <p>Parents of performers are invited to attend</p> <p><u>Upper School Theatre Club Whole School Assembly Performances</u></p> <p>(Y6-8 pupils audition for a place)</p>	<p><u>Upper School Theatre Club Gala Performance</u></p> <p>(Y6-8 pupils audition for a place)</p> <p>Shakespeare workshop for Year 7</p> <p>Year 8 play in a day</p>

