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Speech and Drama Lessons 2022

Course Description and Aims

- To develop mind, voice, and body skills needed in order to communicate confidently with clarity, sincerity and interest, in any situation.
- To understand the process of voice production and through practice to acquire the skills essential to produce a natural voice with pleasant quality and tone.
- To appreciate, interpret, and present poetry and prose.
- To learn the drama skills necessary for creditable performance.

The content of this course is varied and designed to be stimulating, challenging, and fun. The course may be adapted to suit the particular needs of the students.

As with any subject or skill, advancement and progress is very much influenced by the attitude of, and practice by the student.

A full Speech and Drama course will include the following:

- **Voice Production** – Exercises to develop skills in relaxation, breathing, production of voice, resonance, articulation, projection, and modulation
- **Conversational Skills** – Including telephone techniques, introducing, thanking guest speakers etc.
- **Speech Making** – Formal and informal
- **Poetry** – Interpretation, speaking, and memorising
- **Drama** – Mime, improvisation, role-playing, creative drama, and working with scripts
- **Reading Aloud** – Prepared and at sight

Our lesson plans are based on the requirements of the Trinity Guildhall and Speech New Zealand syllabus, and students may choose to work towards examinations in either.

Lessons are available for all year levels at St Margaret's College and are taken during school hours by well-qualified and experienced tutors.

Girls in Years 11-13 will have priority over lesson times and may have a set time each week. Where possible, all other lessons will be timetabled to avoid disruptions or girls missing the same period each week. It is the responsibility of the girls to catch up on schoolwork when out of class.

Please refer any enquiries about Speech and Drama lessons to Gill Blackler at gill.blackler@stmargarets.school.nz or phone (03) 353 2565.

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Speech and Drama Lessons Enrolment Form 2022

(with prices)

Roz Spiers	ATCL Dip Tchg
Dinie Bevers	RTSCA, LSB Speech & Drama, LSB Public Speaking, Accredited SCA Adjudicator, Accredited Examiner/Oral Assessor SNZ / Diploma Professional Speaking
Ruth Agnew	BA, BA, Dip Tchg, LTCL, ASB
Lucille Durkin	BA, LTCL, Dip Tchg, RTSCA

TERM FEE SCHEDULE

The term fee covers a minimum of 7.5 lessons per term or 30 lessons in one year.

Please circle your choice:

Individuals	35 minutes	\$280.00 + GST
Pairs	35 minutes	\$240.00 + GST
Groups	40 minutes	\$200.00 + GST

Higher Grades

A longer lesson time is often required to adequately prepare older students for exams and is mandatory for students preparing for all Grades 6 to 8 and ATCL.

Individuals	45 minutes	\$360.00 + GST
Pairs	45 minutes	\$300.00 + GST
Groups	50 minutes	\$280.00 + GST

Please note:

- Initially, girls enjoy working in a group or a pair. This helps them develop confidence in a relaxed supportive environment.
- Longer or individual lessons may be selected for students with specific goals or needs.
- If a student is absent due to sickness, the tutor must be personally notified by the parent by 8.00am on the day of the lesson, please do **NOT** notify the School Office.
- When an individual lesson is missed and the above notice is given, the lesson will be made up by the tutor. For all other absences, e.g. forgetting to attend lessons during the term or such like, the missed lessons will be charged for.
- In case of a tutor's absence, the lesson will be rescheduled.

NB: If a student wishes to withdraw from Speech and Drama, a term's notice is required in writing to both the teacher **and** the Head of Faculty Performing Arts, Amanda Woods, at amanda.woods@stmargarets.school.nz **and** Megan Herd, Curriculum Leader Drama, at megan.herd@stmargarets.school.nz.

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Full Name: _____ Year Level: _____ (2022)

Age: _____ Tutor Group: *(if known)* _____ Boarder: Yes / No Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

Parent's / Caregiver's Name: _____ and Email: _____

Additional Emails if necessary: _____

Senior students – please list study periods to assist time tabling _____

Have you taken speech lessons: Yes / No Teacher's Name: _____

List exams you have passed: _____

You may request special friends or teacher you would like to work with if possible:
(please be aware that a waiting list may be in place)

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent / Caregiver)

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