

## Almost Random Theatre Company Workshop

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Almost Random Theatre Company came to Brune Park Community School to deliver a creative workshop to our Year 9 students who have opted to take Drama as a GCSE. The workshop, which lasted just over three hours involved many activities from bringing a script to life, improvisations, devised work directed by the workshop leaders, watching clips of professional theatre which led to discussion and the creation of posters linked to the topic of 'Homelessness' to watching Paul Barrand's Acting Showreel and having a question and answer session about his career.

With this large mix of activities it meant there was something for all!

Each student wrote an anonymous piece of feedback for the company and examples of these were:

*'I enjoyed the workshop, it was great fun and I have become a lot more confident'*

*'I enjoyed today, it's given me a good feel of what to expect in Drama for the future'*

*'I thought today allowed me to work with people out of my friendship group'*

It was clear the students enjoyed the workshop and it was a lovely opportunity to bring them all together to begin to bond, before they start their GCSE in Drama in September.

A personal favourite moment from the workshop was that prior to the workshop the company asked for the names of the students and something about them e.g. an interest. This meant the students felt like the company had taken the time to find out about who they were at the very start of the workshop as they incorporated the information into the starter activity and it made the students feel at ease, which was a lovely touch!

A big thank you to Chris Sivewright, the founder of A.R.T and Paul Barrand, an actor, for working with the students and delivering such an enjoyable workshop.

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