



Pure Creative Arts
Primary Schools Pack 2010

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Who we are

Mission Statement:

Pure Creative Arts (Pure) aims to support children and young people in discovering and creatively developing their individual identity, worth and potential.

Pure Creative Arts is a multi-faceted organisation, which uses many creative disciplines within schools and youth settings, with multi-media theatre productions, high impact dance and music performances, and interactive workshops.

Pure Creative Arts operates through a team of professional and experienced performers, with extensive experience of working within school environments. Each member of the team is a committed Christian, passionate about seeing the lives of children and young people changed. Christian values inform the work of Pure, but the focus is on helping young people discover and reach their potential.

The Theatre Company performs in schools to introduce themes and ideas, and the team provide a safe lesson environment where children can explore issues including identity, self worth, confidence, school life, friendship and image and where they will feel free and comfortable to talk, as they want.

Pure Creative Arts are available for performing in assemblies, school concerts, and youth events, using music as a relevant way to provoke thought. As an educational resource Pure Creative Arts also provide lessons and workshops dealing with specific issues facing Primary School age children.

Where do Pure Creative Arts fit into the Curriculum?

- **Developing confidence and responsibility and making the most of their abilities**

Among other things the curriculum states that pupils should be taught to respect the differences between people as they develop their own sense of **identity**, and to recognise how others see them and give and receive constructive feedback.

- **Developing a healthy, safer lifestyle**

The curriculum states that pupils need to learn how to keep healthy and what influences **health**, including the media. They should also be taught how to recognise when **pressure** from others threatens their personal safety and wellbeing, and how to develop effective ways of resisting pressure.

- **Developing good relationships and respecting the differences between people**

Pupils should be taught about the effects of all types of **stereotyping**, prejudice, bullying, racism and discrimination and how to challenge them assertively. Further, they need to recognise that actions have consequences and when and how to make compromises.

They should learn about the role and importance of **marriage** in family relationships and how to recognise that goodwill is essential to positive and constructive relationships.

Pure Creative Arts offer lessons and workshops that cover the above topics, with particular focus on issues surrounding identity, image, and pressure. Lessons also cover leading a healthy lifestyle, by looking at eating disorders and the ways our lifestyles can be unhealthy.

It is important to tackle issues around eating disorders and healthy eating at a young age as:

- Body image dissatisfaction is consistently found in girls as young as 9 years old¹
- Several studies have demonstrated a desire to be thinner in girls as young as 7 years old²

1. Eating behaviour in junior high school females (2000)
2. International Journal of Eating Disorders (200)

As Christians, Pure Creative Arts can offer Religious Education lessons which cover the following themes:

- The key ideas of **Christianity** which relate to God, truth, the world, human life and life after death
- What we as Christians believe
- How our belief informs the lives we lead and the decisions we make in life
- The influence of Christianity on the **relationships** we have and how it affects moral choices, including **forgiveness**

The Religious Education syllabus states that pupils should be provided with certain experiences and opportunities. Pure Creative Arts cover the following sections:

- Allowing pupils to encounter people from different beliefs who express a range of convictions about what they believe
- Encouraging discussion and questions about important issues in religion and Christianity
- Allowing reflection and evaluation of pupils own beliefs
- Using a range of forms of expression (including, art, **music, dance and drama**) to communicate ideas and respond creatively and thoughtfully to the issues being discussed

Educational Resources

Pure Creative Arts provide a number of different aspects of school requirements including assemblies, lessons and workshops.

We have an education monitor who keeps a close eye on the national curriculum as we aim for all our resources to be up to date.

Assembly Performances:

Pure Creative Arts offer the option of performance in assemblies. This usually consists of a performance of one of our tracks, a drama sketch and a short talk (that can be based around a certain topic if desired). Pure Creative Arts are Christians and an element of our faith will usually come into what we talk about in assemblies, however we always establish contact with the appropriate teacher before we do an assembly and will discuss with them to ensure that they are happy with what we will communicate in the assemblies we take.

Lessons:

Pure Creative Arts offer a selection of lessons for Primary Schools; topics we currently offer cover the following areas:

- Identity
- Image
- Peer Pressure
- Forgiveness
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Friendship
- Transition from year 6 to High School*
- What we believe as Christians

*The Transition to secondary school consists of a series of workshops that are designed to help children articulate fears they may have about moving school and prepare them for this change. The workshops also provide an opportunity to build up confidence and self-esteem as they move into a new school environment.

More details of the other lessons we provide and the structure they will take is available on request, as the format will change depending on the year group.

Creative Arts Workshops:

Pure Creative Arts offer a selection of practical workshops including dance, drama and singing. The workshops fit well into the Drama, Music and Physical Education curriculum. All the workshops are taught in a professional way, as there is degree level expertise in each of these areas within the team.

Price List

Assembly	£50 £100	Half an hour assembly One hour assembly
Morning session	£250	A morning session would consist of an assembly and two lessons or workshops
One full day	£400	A full day would consist of an assembly and a variety of lessons and workshops depending on the requirements of the school.
Single Workshop	£100	Workshops are available in dance, drama and singing. Workshops last for an hour and a half and will be led by two members of the Performing Arts team.

Expenses

A charge will also be made for expenses on bookings made outside Liverpool

Technical Information

Space

To best utilise our resources we need a large performance space preferably a hall or drama studio.

Main Stage measurements:

Width – minimum 8 metres
Depth – minimum 5 metres

Pure Creative Arts School

Pure Creative Arts run a Creative Arts School for children aged 5 –16 which runs every Tuesday night and during the school holidays. Children are given the opportunity to learn new skills in dance, drama and singing in a safe and encouraging environment. Children are encouraged to develop confidence and discover new talents as they work together to produce their own versions of different musicals that they then perform to family and friends. Recent productions have included 'Oliver', 'A Christmas Carol' and 'The Lion King' and the timeless classic the 'Wizard of Oz'.

After School Sessions

Every Tuesday evening at the Frontline Centre,

Ages 5 – 9	Dance	4 – 5PM
	Musical Theatre	5 – 6PM
Ages 10 – 16	Musical Theatre	4 – 5PM
	Dance	5 – 6PM

Fees

£3 per class or £5.50 for both. Fees are paid per term in one or two instalments.

For more information on the Creative Arts School, please contact the school manager Rebecca Boyd at rebecca.boyd@purecreativearts.co.uk or visit the website at www.purecreativeartsschool.co.uk

Extended Schools

The Creative Arts School fits into the extended schools programme as it provides after school activities for both primary and secondary school children until 6PM, providing them with access to high quality arts activities in a safe environment.

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