

Music Department 2023-2024

	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 13
TERM 1	Students in Year 7 cover 3 units of Music on rotation with a unit of Musical Theatre in term 1. The unit they will study be studying each term depends on the rotation. Introductory Unit: Matilda and The Core Valus of Performing Arts Students explore the conventions of Musical Theatre and the core values of the Performing Arts using Matilda The Musical as a starting point. They will learn a teacher taught song, applying vocal, physical and expressive skills to the performance as a member of an ensemble. Students will also develop their composition skills to create	Students in Year 8 cover 3 units of Music on rotation with a unit of Musical Theatre in term 5. The unit they will be studying each term depends on the rotation. Unit 1: Guitar Skills Students will learn the 4 main chords used in popular music and will be able to play these in an appropriate chord sequence and use these to play different popular songs.	Students in Year 9 cover 2 units of Music on rotation with a unit of Musical Theatre in term 5. The unit they will be studying each term depends on the rotation. Unit 1: Soundtracks Students will explore the history of film and the accompanying music, developing their musicianship skills by playing a piece of film music, before exploring and creating a leitmotif for a chosen character.	AOS 1 Developing awareness of your own instrument capabilities. Students will prepare group presentations in instrumental families, including specific techniques. Students will also prepare a simple piece to perform together to the class. AOS 5: Conventions of Pop Students will explore the different styles though class/group performances, composition tasks and listening exercises. Assessment – End of unit listening test.	AOS 1 Students will record their AOS 1 performance during this term. Students will choose an ensemble piece to perform as part of their exam. Composition Students will workshop through the brief ideas, linking this to the relevant areas of study. Students will then choose the most appropriate composition brief and controlled time is given for the OCR set brief composition.	



	a piece of work using the narrative and themes as a stimulus. This links to their other performing arts lessons where they will explore the dance and drama elements of the production.					
TERM 2	Unit 1: Samba Performance Students will be introduced to the Elements of Music through the exploration of Samba music. Students will create a piece of music inspired by the Samba Batucada.	Unit 1: Guitar Skills Students will learn the 4 main chords used in popular music and will be able to play these in an appropriate chord sequence and use these to play different popular songs. Unit 2: Variations Students will explore the work of Johan Pachelbel and how Theme and Variation can be used to develop a simple motif into a complete piece of music before creating their own piece of music using this structure.	Unit 1: Soundtracks Students will explore the history of film and the accompanying music, developing their musicianship skills by playing a piece of film music, before exploring and creating a leitmotif for a chosen character.	Composition: Students will begin to develop initial ideas including: Three note composition, Primary chords and cadences, Analysis of nursery rhymes, Word setting, Chord sequences AOS 4: Film Music Students will explore how music can create a mood/emotion, significant characters or actions through workshops, short performance and composition tasks	AOS 1: Ensemble performance Students will choose and finalise their ensemble performance choice. AOS 5 & 4 Students will review both AO5 and AO4 through performance and appreciation tasks. Composition Students will continue work on both their chosen composition and the composition to a brief for submission as part of their exam.	



TERM	Unit 1: Samba Music	Unit 2: Variations	Unit 2: Reggae	AOS 1	AOS 1: Ensemble
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3	Students will be	Students will explore the		class	Cudente III en en en en
	introduced to the Elements of Music	work of Johan Pachelbel		Students will select	Students will prepare and record their ensemble
	through the exploration of	Variation can be used to	Students will explore the	potential pieces to	performance.
	Samba music. Students	develop a simple motif	work of Bob Marley and	practice and improve over	performance.
	will create a piece of music	into a complete piece of	The Wailers and create an ensemble performance of	the term. Students will	Composition:
	inspired by the Samba	music before creating their	a piece by this band using	record performances for	
	Batucada.	own piece of music using	multiple instruments.	self-assessment against	Students to complete both
		this structure.		marking criteria.	composition to be sent off
	Unit 2: Keyboard Skills				to the exam board.
		Unit 3: Jazz & Blues		AOS 3: Rhythms of the world	AOS 3 & 2
	Students will develop their understanding of musical	Students will explore the		world	Students will review both
	notation including rhythm	cultural importance of Jazz		Students will explore the	AO3 and AO2 through
	and note lengths while	& Blues music and will		different musical styles	performance and
	playing pieces on the	learn the 12 bar blues		through workshops,	appreciation tasks.
	keyboard.	form on their chosen		(including external	
		instrument and will be		organisations) group	
		able to play as a small		performances and	
		ensemble. Students will		compositions. Listening	
		improvise their own melodies using the C		test at the end of unit.	
		blues scale.			
		bides scale.			
TERM	Unit 2: Keyboard Skills	Unit 3: Jazz & Blues	Unit 2: Reggae	Composition	Revision of AOS 2, 3, 4,
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	Students will develop their	Students will explore the cultural importance of Jazz		Students will take part in a short composition task	
	understanding of musical	Cultural Importance of Jazz		Short composition task	



4	notation including rhythm and note lengths while playing pieces on the keyboard. Unit 3: Gallery Composition Students will explore how to compose a melody and how to create chord sequences while composing a piece of music with an image as a Stimulus.	& Blues music and will learn the 12 bar blues form on their chosen instrument and will be able to play as a small ensemble. Students will improvise their own melodies using the C blues scale.	Students will explore the work of Bob Marley and The Wailers and create an ensemble performance of a piece by this band using multiple instruments.	based on AOS3. Students will create a short group composition based on the rhythm and note patterns in the style of one of the Rhythms of the World. AOS 2: Concerto through time Students will explore the concerto through class or group performance, composition tasks and listening exercises.	Students recap vocabulary and do practice questions. Composition Submission of integrated portfolio and Practical component
TERM	Unit 3: Gallery Composition	Musical Theatre Unit: The Lion King	Musical Theatre Unit: Shrek	AOS1 and Practical component	Revision
5	Students will explore how to compose a melody and how to create chord sequences while composing a piece of music with an image as a Stimulus.	Students explore the conventions of Musical Theatre as a genre of performance through the exploration and performance of a vocal piece from <i>The Lion King</i> .	Students explore the conventions of Musical Theatre as a genre of performance through the exploration and performance of a vocal piece from <i>Shrek The Musical</i> .	Students will use lesson and home learning time to finalise their choice for their AOS 1 performance. Students prepare group performances to be rehearsed and then then workshopped during lessons in preparation for the Ensemble Performance. Composition Students will spend the first part of the term defining their brief and then the main part of the	



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		term writing their	
		composition.	