CURRICULUM SUMMARY - MUSIC

YEAR 7

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	Instruments od the Orchestra	Rhythm and metre – introduction to rhythmic units and
Elements of Music – extended listening examples to	Vocal textures - extended listening examples to illustrate	their application.
illustrate textures	vocal textures in all genres and styles of music.	Layered rhythmic textures
Graphic Scores		Keyboard skills – introduction of staff notation
ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSMENTS
Baseline test	Extended project exploring instruments of the orchestra	Rhythm test and rhythmic dictation.
Group composition and performance of Bumps and Crashes	Independent research	Group performance of layered rhythmic textures
Piece focusing on knowledge and application of Elements of	Interviewing a musician as part of research	Independent work and assessment of keyboard skills
Music	Group composition and performance of Vocal textures Listening test on vocal textures	through individual work progression in keyboard booklet
HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Encourage discussion of musical ideas that student are learning in class and encourage students to take up private instrumental tuition offered by the school, if they are interested	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Assist with orchestral project – encourage student to listen to a range of musical instruments on CD, YouTube	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Encourage discussion of musical ideas that student are learning in class and encourage students to take up private instrumental tuition offered by the school, if they are interested

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Variation in music	Ostinatos in music – rhythmic and melodic	Musical Futures – a nationwide schools project based on
Range of musical examples both played by teacher, CD and	Chordal ostinatos	independent group music making where students create
you tube to embed ideas of Variation in music	Extended project on Variations – PP by students based on a	their own version of a popular song through listening and
Extensive classroom discussion and sharing of ideas.	comparison of 2 cover songs, using the Elements of music as	copying /adapting the original song.
	the basis for comparison	This project encourages ear training, leadership skills and
		group work.
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Group work on variation form based on Frere Jaques	Students create and perform their own ostinato	Songs and performances are assessed on an ongoing process
Test on vocabulary associated with Variation techniques.	performances	through the use of log books and recorded evidence to chart
	Presentation of Variation PP	progress.

		Final performances are recorded and assessed.
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CONTENT OPTIONS YEAR Composition students are introduced to the basic tools of composition, working in groups Theory Students work through theory tasks in order to support their compositions. Set works 1 works is covered in the first term Performance – students work on an ongoing basis improving their performance skills through instrumental lessons and regular practice.	CONTENT Composition Students now work independently on composition and work on an ABA structure, with the theme of Water as their starting point, using ostinatos as a starting point Theory ongoing theory tasks/exercises related to composition. Set works 2 set work covered in Term Two Performance students work on an ongoing basis improving their performance skills through instrumental lessons and	CONTENT Composition Students now work independently on their first composition ABA structure and learn how to use the Sibelius computer programe to write their compositions Set works 2 set work covered in Term Two Performance - – students work on an ongoing basis improving their performance skills through instrumental lessons and regular practice.
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Composition Students now work independently to complete first composition ABA structure and learn how to use the Sibelius computer programe to write their compositions Set works 2 set work covered in Term Two Performance - – students work on an ongoing basis improving their performance skills through instrumental lessons and regular practice.	Composition First composition near completion and recording. Year 10 mocks – revision sessions timetabled Performance: students now presenting performances to class with an understanding of GCSE levels Theory – ongoing	Set works 2 set works per term Composition – ongoing with regular feedback from teacher. Theory – related to either set works or composition techniques. Students should be planning out their second composition. Performance – students working on an ongoing basis. Some student preparing their final performance for recording.
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Composition Students now working on second composition.	Completion of set works	All course work completed and recorded
Setworks revision of set works plus addition of I new set	Completion and recording of compositions	Set work completion from Term 2
work	Completion and recording of performances	
Students presenting PP on past set works as a revision		
exercise for DEC mocks.		

Students preparing ensemble performances		
ASSESSMENTS Set work tests and listening. Performance assesments according to GCSE requirements	ASSESSMENTS Revision of set works – essay writing Listening tests. Vocab tests	ASSESSMENTS Revision of set works – essay writing Listening tests. Vocab tests
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