

Key Stage 4 Music Curriculum Overview

Year Group	Term 1 - Topic	Assessment	Term 2 - Topic	Assessment	Term 3 - Topic	Assessment
9	Individual Performance – Unit 3.	Interim assessments, followed by a final performance assessment.	Film music composition	Complete composition with melodic themes and harmonic development. Assessed against criteria.	Popular music of 20th and 21st century	Compose a piece of popular music in a style of their own choice.
	Blues composition and performance.	Ensemble performance	Performance – individual	Performance assessment	Individual performance for Summer Recital	Marked performance in Summer Recital
	Understanding the process of composing a melody.	Composition.	Understanding of Film music and orchestral instruments	Listening tests and final test paper	Develop understanding of Popular music of the 20th and 21st centuries	Listening tests and final test paper
10	Individual Performance – Unit 3.	Interim assessments, followed by a final performance assessment	Individual Performance – Unit 3.	Interim assessments, followed by a final performance assessment.	Individual Performance – Unit 3.	Interim assessments, followed by a final performance assessment.
	Composition – Unit 4.	Interim assessment of the composition, followed by a final assessment of the composition.	Composition – Unit 4.	Interim assessment of the composition, followed by a final assessment of the composition.	Composition – Unit 4.	Interim assessment of the composition, followed by a final assessment of the composition.
	The Western Classical Tradition	Listening tests and final test paper	World music	Listening tests and final test paper	Listening recaps and variety of test papers	Listening tests and final test paper
	Individual/ensemble Performance – Unit 3	Interim assessments, followed by a final performance	Individual/ensemble Performance – Unit 3	Interim assessments, followed by a final	Reviewing coursework for unit 2-3-4.	Individual development of any coursework that requires improvement.

11		assessment.		performance assessment.		
	Composition – Unit 2 (controlled assessment).	Interim assessment of the composition, followed by a final assessment of the composition.	Composition – Unit 2 (controlled assessment).	Interim assessment of the composition, followed by a final assessment of the composition.	Individual revision for listening examination	Personal listening tests and revision diaries
	Preparation for listening mock examination	BBC bitesize revision sessions and interim mock paper exams	Individual listening revision sessions	Develop personal listening diaries highlighting areas of need		