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# **5 Year Overview- Curricular Goals and Aims**

# Music Is the Laughter of the Heart

At Ellesmere Park, we believe that students deserve a broad and ambitious music curriculum, rich in skills and knowledge, which ignites curiosity and prepares them well for future learning or employment. We aim to create the very best musicians, give students the greatest opportunities to ensure every student leaves us ready for their next successful chapter in life. We challenge students to think, act and speak like those working in the field. We do this through quality first teaching which challenges them to not only understand the complexities of different styles, genres and cultures of music but requires them to explore, discuss and demonstrate this understanding in creative ways.

We consider it important that all students have experiences across multiple different cultures and genres of Music. We want students to be able to play a range of different instruments and all will be given the opportunity to be a part of the music family. Music is regarded as a highly academic subject by Russell group universities because it teaches children transferable skills such as commitment, confidence, public speaking and independent learning. Like a foreign language, Music is an academic subject and a means of communication as well as an art, beneficial to mental health and wellbeing. We think it is important that students are given different ways to express themselves and this is actively encouraged in the Music department.

Students are challenged in all lessons to be able to demonstrate understanding and creativity through performance, composition, through collaboration with their peers and through evaluation of their own work. Through the development of these skills, at both key stages, we would expect to see an increase in self-confidence and creativity throughout all aspects of the curriculum. This personal development will be shown through independent work, but also through ensemble performances and compositions. Students are then equipped apply these in external settings such as shows and employment opportunities.

The curriculum has been planned to develop knowledge and skills over time, with topics linking together to show a continuation. A range of strategies are used across the curriculum to deepen knowledge and allow students to find a 'way in' to the music. Music has strong links with other curricular subjects across the school and these are made explicit, so that students can draw links from each subject and build on existing knowledge. A systematic approach to teaching staff and other relevant notations has been included and embedded within and across all topics, bespoke to meet for the needs of all learners, so that students build confidence from reading from sheet music for performances to being able to write it accurately when creating music through composition. We expect and encourage students to use key musical terminology within their work. The curriculum embeds all of the core values and expectations of an Ellesmere Park student, ensuring that they CARE about the work that they produce. This is shown through their resilience when learning a new skill and students are often pushed to aspire to complete the next challenge and put themselves out of their comfort zone. Within every lesson, students are expected to consider others points of view and be considerate of all values and abilities when sharing performances, compositions or during class discussions, creating a sense of shared equality to improve their spiritual, social, moral and cultural understanding.

Our curriculum at Ellesmere Park High School goes far beyond what is taught in lessons, for whilst we want students to achieve the very best examination results possible, we believe our curriculum goes beyond what is examinable. As a department we offer a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities for those who want to develop their musical skills and abilities beyond the classroom. Individual instrumental lessons are available to all pupils throughout the school. These links to MAPAS and the music shed are of vital importance to show aspiring students where music can take them and the importance of learning to play an instrument. As a department, we also have a vibrant collection of extra-curricular clubs that pupils can take part in, from choirs, ensemble bands and keyboard clubs. Where possible, and appropriate, we endeavour to expose our students to live music including visits to the theatre and to other live concerts. We also invite musicians to visit school, to perform and work with us. All pupils involved in music are given regular opportunities to perform to develop their confidence and understanding as musicians. We currently hold lunch time performance concerts every 2 weeks on a Friday. This is a unique part of school life. Students feel supported and comfortable performing and thoroughly enjoy it.

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Body Percussion	Singing as an Ensemble	Classical Melodies and Notation	Instrumental Developme	nt – Let's make a band	Samba
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Understand the importance of rhythmic awareness in music – and develop an understanding of musical techniques used in music to enhance performances (The Elements of Music).</li> <li>Be introduced to the elements of music as the main focus throughout each unit of work in each year group.</li> <li>Knowledge + Skills Students will:</li> <li>Develop an understanding and awareness of rhythm through exciting and engaging body percussion routines.</li> <li>Learn a choreographed piece of body percussion and perform it over the song bohemian rhapsody by queen.</li> <li>Understand different musical and rhythmical words such as polyrhythms, cross rhythms, crost rhythms, crost rhythms, ensemble for their assessment and as a whole year group ensemble in school assembly.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Understand the importance of singing, its historical evolution over time and how singing can evoke powerful emotions Musical techniques (The Elements of Music).</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>The purpose of this Unit of work is to encourage students to develop singing skills from primary school and work as a team in a new class setting.</li> <li>Many students will be and will have been used to whole class singing.</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Develop skills as musicians, look at the evolution of music in singing, skills that can then be transferred to different instruments in subsequent topics, such as key word understanding and the application of elements.</li> <li>Study a number of different styles and genres.</li> <li>Each week there is a different focus as a listening activity and piece of music for students to explore in depth, adding the elements of music into performance, to enhance sound.</li> <li>Be encouraged to develop confidence, be expressive and happy, supported through the learning environment to feel safe and able to perform in front of their peers.</li> <li>Discover the background and history to each piece, before working in different group settings to create a performance.</li> <li>Students will evaluate a range of creative and live versions of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Study the great composers – Mozart, Bach, Beethoven and explore the cultural origins and journey of music through time.</li> <li>Develop an understanding on how to read traditional music notation. Develop an understanding on key composers in time.</li> <li>Develop instrumental skills using the keyboard.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u> Students will</li> <li>Build upon the performance skills from the Introduction to Singing topic,</li> <li>Learn notation and understand how music is written down.</li> <li>Build upon the elements of music and note lengths learnt throughout the previous topic.</li> <li>Learn how to perform them on the keyboard.</li> <li>Identify and use correct hand positioning on the keyboard and develop playing with two hands together.</li> <li>Learn how to play 'Ode to Joy' on the piano.</li> <li>Develop composition skills, create own melody to perform on the piano.</li> <li>Learn C major and be introduced to accidentals and where notes are placed on the keyboard.</li> <li>Play and performing an instrument as solo musician.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Develop early ensemble sliplaying in a class band.</li> <li>Develop a wide range of spopular based instrument keyboard &amp; vocals)</li> <li>Apply musical techniques</li> <li>Refine ensemble skills and</li> <li>Mowledge + Skills</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Apply learning from prior use of popular instrument</li> <li>Learn the basics of all instindividual parts on each in ukulele, drums, keyboard,</li> <li>develop into popular music creating class bands ready in battle of the band compshows. Potential songs – OPerfect strangers.</li> <li>Work on a carousel on diffibefore selecting a favourit</li> <li>Work together as a band to of the verse to begin with</li> <li>understand the importance</li> <li>Learn an additional song p</li> <li>Playing and performing as</li> </ul>	kills across a number of s. (Guitar, bass, drums, to enhance performance. I perform in class. two topics, including the s. ruments and how to play istrument (guitar, bass, voice). ticians with a focus on of or external performance betitions and school chasing Cars, Diamonds, ferent instruments, te to play. to create a performance together as a group. te of rehearsal as a team d a song to a high performing as a group.	<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Understand the genre, origins of Samba, how this genre of music plays such a big role in the culture of Brazil and how this genre of music has spread across the world. Learn about music across the world</li> <li>Knowledge + Skills</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Experience the basic styles of different types samba of music including Brazil and look into the cultural influences.</li> <li>Learn and explore in different ways during this topic including independently, in pairs and in groups.</li> <li>Develop singing and percussion skills.</li> <li>Explore music of Brazilian Samba groups – Performing ensembles – local festivals.</li> <li>play as part of a whole class ensemble on a wide selection of drums from large -small.</li> <li>Learn a piece of music ready for performance</li> <li>perform a whole class samba performance for whole school lunch concert.</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>performances analysing mood, feelings and emotions.</li> <li>Perform, as a whole class ensemble with a unique arrangement suited to the class, developing their listening skills, understanding of elements of music and how to apply techniques.</li> <li>Perform samba parade outside around the sche grounds.</li> <li>Explore and app Brazilian culture thoroughly have</li> </ul>	and ool oreciate e and
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Skills- Listening skills, instrumental skills, solo performance skills, notation and Reading skills, class ensemble skills

The Blues 1950's – 1960's	Rock and Roll – 1950s – 1960s	Brit Invasion + Skiffle 1950s – 1960s	Reggae 1960s – 1980s	Soul & Funk 1970s – 1980s	Hip Hop & Rap 1980s – 1990s
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Understand the genre, origins and development of blues - from the slave trade (field songs) to modern day (Johnny be good). Understand how this genre of music has shaped music as we know it.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will</li> <li>Learn the origins of rock and roll and how this genre of music evolved from blues music creating a movement which has a huge impact on society.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic builds upon students' learning from unit 1 blues and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will</li> <li>Understand the development of this genre and how bands during the brit invasion formed / evolved from rock and roll movement, in turn influenced through the blues.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic follows on from both</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will</li> <li>Understand the genre, origins of Reggae and how this movement has culturally affected society as we know it.</li> <li>Discuss the misconceptions and stereotypes this genre of</li> </ul>	Students will Understand the genre, origins of Soul and Funk, how this music evolved from reggae music, and influenced a new wave in the world of popular music.	<ul> <li>Students will</li> <li>Understand the genre, origins of HIP HOP &amp; RAP and how this movement has culturally affected society.</li> <li>Understand how instrumental and recording techniques</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Knowledge + Skills</li> <li>Learning builds upon students' learning from Year 7's topics and introduces them to Blues &amp; Jazz and a new structure, 12 Bar Blues.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>previous Y7 topics.</li> <li>It is important that students recognise the importance of genre evolution and understand that because of this, we have the music we listen to and enjoy in today's society</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Develop cultural information relating to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>unit 1 and unit 2 and supports understanding of how music has evolved and how modern bands are formed. Bands such as the Beatles.</li> <li>This builds upon learning from Year 7 introducing a developing movement – Brit invasion and Skiffle shows the genre of music</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Music brings with it.</li> <li>Music brings with it.</li> <li>This topic introduces students to music from around the world.</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Learn about Jamaican culture, the religious</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Knowledge + Skills</li> <li>This topic continues to explore music from around the world.</li> <li>Students will experience different types of music soul</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>paved the way for the new age of hip hop and rap today.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic introduces pupils to music from USA origin. How USA – New York shaped the way.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Students will</li> <li>Learn additional compositional ideas that are based around the initial chord structure. Typical Blues/Jazz features – walking bass line, improvisation and melody.</li> <li>Be able to sing or perform on an instrument of their choice supporting compositional development.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>bevelop calculation monitorin cluting to the genre and then learn additional performance techniques that are based around the rock and roll movement.</li> <li>Be introduced to iconic names of the era. The King – Elvis P – Buddy holly, The Beatles. Typical rock and roll features – walking bass line, syncopation improvisation and melody. Introduction of the electric guitar.</li> <li>The guitar is king Students learn understand and know what this point means and its symbolic importance.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Skine shows the gene of music closely linked with Blues &amp; Jazz and Rock and – The Brit Invasion.</li> <li>Students will <ul> <li>Learn additional arrangement ideas based around the initial chord structure. Typical Blues/Jazz features – walking bass line, improvisation and melody may be present in song selection.</li> <li>Be provided with a selected song to perform – Come together the Beatles.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>culture, the religious</li> <li>movement, basic styles of different types of reggae evolved from Jamaica.</li> <li>Work in different ways, independently, in pairs and in groups.</li> <li>Develop singing, Instrumental skills and percussion skills.</li> <li>Explore music of Reggae, ska, rock steady and have steady focus on reggae icon Bob Marley (Buffalo Soldier / Three little birds.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>and funk music.</li> <li>Understand influences and origins.</li> <li>Play music in this style by following the key features.</li> <li>Work independently, in pairs and in groups.</li> <li>Develop singing, Instrumental and percussion skills.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How gang culture at the time found a way of connecting to the world to make political statements through music.</li> <li>Experience many different styles of hip hop and rap music from New York and how the genre originated and developed.</li> <li>Working independently, in pairs and in groups.</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>Explore a range of blues songs of choice as part of differing range of class choices</li> <li>Compose their own Blues song, in groups, using a variety of different instruments and voices (used in all previous topics from Years 7 &amp; 8) and Blues techniques listed above.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sing or perform on an instrument of their choice vital to build compositional ideas.</li> <li>Finally perform a piece of rock and roll music – teacher lead in the selection</li> <li>Identify similarities in this genre as they did with blues as continued development.</li> <li>Perform in groups, using a variety of different instruments and voices (used in all previous topics from Years 7 &amp; 8) and Blues techniques listed above.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Be able to sing or perform on an instrument of their choice to develop compositional skills.</li> <li>Gain deep understanding of the culture at the time and also the natural transition music is beginning to make.</li> <li>.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learn skank rhythm and off beat patterns.</li> <li>Include traditional dialect if possible when performing and singing.</li> <li>Identify favourite type of reggae music and improve performance ready to perform to the class.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Explore origins of soul and funk, Cross reference how it has influenced artists from our current generation-</li> <li>STORMZY – Blinded by your grace.</li> <li>Pentatonic scale, Rap.</li> <li>Instrumentation, voice, projection, pronunciation</li> <li>The final part of this project, will be full performance the selected piece.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop singing, Instrumental skills and percussion skills.</li> <li>Perform a hip-hop rap performance as a class.</li> </ul>
Skills- Listening skills, instrumer	ntal skills, performance skills, Solo developme	ent, class ensemble skills			
Rock Music 1970s – 1980s	Britpop 1990s – 2000s	Independent Music Development 1970s – 2020s	Independent Song Writing	Film Music/Compositional Techniques	Music Sequencing – Composition
Students will:	Students will:	Students will:	Students will:	Students will:	Students will:
<ul> <li>Understand the genre, origins of Rock music and how this movement has culturally affected society.</li> <li>Explore how this genre paved the way for a contemporary new wave.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic applies students' learning from the last 2 years of KS3 development.</li> <li>Students' chronological exploration of evolution of different styles and genres of music provides them a wide breadth of knowledge</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understand the genre, origins of Britpop and how this movement has culturally affected society.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic focuses primarily on the Britpop movement and Manchester's involvement with the development of this style of music. Focusing on music and bands/artists from the local area will inspire students to think about music in their own local area.</li> <li><u>Students will:</u></li> <li>Look at the different waves of music and bands/artists that feature in both</li> <li>Listen to a variety of different pieces of music, performing music by some of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understand the genre, origins of independent music and how this movement has culturally affected contemporary society.</li> <li>This topic explores early indie bands as the basis of the evolution of Britpop began.</li> <li><b>Knowledge + Skills</b></li> <li>This topic focuses primarily on the early routes of independent music and a continuation of Britpop movement, including Manchester's involvement with the development of this genre.</li> <li><b>Students will:</b></li> <li>Focus on music and bands/artists from the local area to inspire</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Apply instrumental skills and knowledge gained throughout KS3 to develop your own song, either as a soloist or small ensemble.</li> <li>Respond to studied genres of music.</li> <li>Demonstrate independence in application of knowledge to form an original piece of music.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic combines student's work from the last two topics across</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop greater of how to read traditional music notation.</li> <li>Explore how iconic film composers, use musical devises to create effective compositions.</li> <li>Develop compositional and technical skills specifically related to music software.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u></li> <li>This topic, in preparation for KS4,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop an understanding on how to use music software and how music software can manipulate sounds through use of effects and automations.</li> <li><u>Knowledge + Skills</u> <u>Students will</u></li> <li>Have spent some time exploring music sequencing techniques in the previous unit, creating short pieces.</li> <li>Design a presentation on how they created sequenced pieces of music</li> </ul>

This Unit allows students	• Learn and apply the structure of	• Look at the different waves of	• Work in a different way	familiar to students	understanding on the		
<ul> <li>This Unit allows students to work in practical way, making use of popular instruments working together as a band.</li> <li>Students are expected to learn complex pieces and know rock riffs and songs, before developing these further.</li> <li>Students' progress to holistically learn a range of songs together, making sure they understand different key characteristics and effects such as distortion and sustain.</li> <li>Groupings are strategically placed into groups based on skills and knowledge.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learn and apply the structure of popular songs of this movement.</li> <li>Begin writing their songs and music as an extension.</li> <li>Select a personal piece of music linked to Britpop (either performing or composing their own) for a concert/performance for the rest of the class.</li> <li>Musical specifics decided based on independence of the class during the unit of learning (Oasis is one route to follow due to the location of the school and popularity of the band.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Look at the different waves of music and bands/artists that feature in both.</li> <li>Listen to a variety of different pieces of music, performing music by some of the more popular/well known artists (like Oasis, Stone Roses etc.).</li> <li>Continue looking at the structure of popular songs.</li> <li>Begin writing own as an extension of learning.</li> <li>The final part of this project, pick a piece of music linked to Britpop (either performing or composing their own) for concert/performance for the rest of the class.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work in a different way, make use of popular instruments and work together as a band.</li> <li>Be expected to work together to write a chord structure, lyrics, melody and other instrumental parts.</li> <li>Song writing allows students to develop their skills and confidence in composing as a group, before they complete it individually at KS4.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>familiar to students, through films and TV.</li> <li>Students will</li> <li>Study leitmotifs and theme music, learning to perform these on a variety of instruments.</li> <li>look at and focus on key composers and understand thinking behind composition.</li> <li>Look at how music is written to underscore dialogue and action scenes within music.</li> <li>Place greater emphasis on listening and analysing how music has been used within films, as this is the key area for extended answers and responses.</li> <li>Identify key features within the music, using academic terminology from previous topics to help support this understanding.</li> </ul>	understanding on the computer software. Presentations should cover the methods used when inputting and editing notes and the ways in which they selected instruments and sounds. Provide examples of sequenced work and show how they have kept an ongoing record of their work. Demonstrate their skills in music sequencing. Produce creatively their own version of a given song.		
Skills- Listening skills, instrume	Skills- Listening skills, instrumental skills, compositional skills, performance skills, solo development and class ensemble skills.						
BTEC MUSIC - UNIT 2 – Music Project			BTEC MUSIC - UNIT 4 - COMPOSITION				
• In this unit of work, Students will form a band. The band formed is a development of one of the different styles of music covered throughout KS3. Students will then work to create promotional material to advertise a promote their very own band. From making a cd consisting of tracks made in the band, merchandise, posters, logos, radio adverts.			<ul> <li>In this unit of work, students will develop compositional skills and work to a brief. Pupils will be set real life scenarios of composition and will understand how this unit of work can link to career opportunities.</li> <li>Students will create four detailed and contrasting musical ideas in response to a</li> </ul>				

• Skills Individual performance development – work on ensemble performances stylistic to your band in prep for unit 2 assignment brief.

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compositional brief that could form the basis for a composition, showing the imaginative and appropriate application of least two different starting points.

#### Students will:

- Demonstrate a sustained and effective input into the development and delivery of a music product, making a significant contribution to the success of the work.
- Create promotional material appropriate to the product that communicates essential information to the target audience.
- Explain the strengths and weaknesses of the product, justifying conclusions, with reference to the management process.

### Unit introduction

- The survival of the music industry depends on its ability to evolve and be innovative with the products created. Live performance has always been a key part of the music industry, while online delivery of recorded music has taken over from CD sales.
- This unit will enable students to manage the planning, delivery and promotion of a live concert, recording, or
  other music product. The success of your music product will rely heavily on the planning and development
  process. It is important that different types of audience are understood and successful promotion is able to
  effectively engage these audiences. Your research should introduce you to elements of industry practice. You
  will work in a defined role to apply the specialist skills, knowledge and understanding required for the aspect of
  the work for which you are responsible. For example, you could be a performer in a live concert or on a
  recording (either traditionally or performing with technology such as DJing), or you could be taking on the
  technical role of producing recordings or online product.
- Whichever role you take; you must demonstrate appropriate planning skills for the creation of your product. Your planning will lead to the final delivery of your product and its presentation to others. You will be required to work with others as well as achieving your personal goals, ensuring the product reflects your work and the qualities you show.
- The music industry requires teamwork at all levels of operation and you must support others to achieve to their full potential. Your work will also include the promotion of the music product, reflecting the fact that the industry does not depend purely on what happens on stage, but also on what happens in the market place, in retail and in audience generation and engagement.

- Demonstrate skilful selection and effective use of melodic and harmonic techniques to develop two contrasting musical ideas into more extended compositional drafts, showing imagination and flair.
- Demonstrate skilful selection and use of appropriate structures to effectively develop one compositional draft into a completed composition, showing imagination, style and flair as appropriate given the brief.
- At the end of this unit of work, students will present musical ideas in an appropriate format with clarity, accuracy and attention to detail.

### Unit introduction

- Have you ever wondered who writes the music that surrounds us? Music is
  everywhere, written every day to be used in TV, film and advertising, as well as for
  pleasure and for profit. Being a composer in the 21st century is about being able to
  respond quickly and appropriately to briefs and in a market place of intense
  competition, coming up with an appropriate composition on a short timescale is vital.
- This unit will require you to develop a portfolio of ideas, some of which will be developed, and one of which will be completed.
- You will discover a range of compositional techniques and produce contrasting musical ideas to develop your compositional expertise. An idea might take the form of a short melodic motif, a chord progression or a rhythmic idea. Ideas can be short or long you will consider the different ways in which these ideas could form the basis for a complete piece of music.
- You will be introduced to ways to extend, develop and shape music that suits different situations. Briefs will be used to present you with real-life compositional challenges that may require the composition of a very short piece, e.g. for a 20 second TV advert, or a more extended composition, e.g. for a film scene. Above all, this unit is about the creation of music in the here and now. You will be encouraged to find your own creative routes through the compositional process and ultimately begin to develop your own creative voice.

BTEC MUSIC - UNIT 1 - Exam	BTEC MUSIC - Unit 7 – MUSIC Sequencing
<ul> <li>The music industry – External examination Students will learn all about the different jobs in the music industry.</li> <li>Unit introduction <ul> <li>The music industry may appear to be led and dominated by just a few massive multi-national companies, and all-powerful impresarios who hold careers and contracts in the palm of their hand. But that is only half of the picture. The music industry relies on countless individuals, small industries, partnerships, local agencies and promoters who make the world of music a true industry. It includes different types of performance venue, organisations that create music products such as recordings or live shows, companies whose work involves arts administration (such as funding bodies) and businesses providing services such as transport and equipment hire.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Explain the features of music sequencing techniques in relation to note input and editing and the use of effects and their potential applications.</li> <li>Select and apply sequencing techniques in the production of a piece of music, with attention to detail and musicality.</li> <li>Select and apply mixing techniques that enhance the final mix.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Unit introduction <ul> <li>Unit introduction Digital technology is a huge part of the music that surrounds us in the 21st century. In this unit, you will be using sequencing software packages to create music in response to a realistic, music-industry-led brief. You will learn how</li> </ul></li></ul>

- This unit will allow you to gain a good understanding of the scope of the music industry with a view to getting work in and using the organisations that exist. You will investigate music organisations to find out about the work they do and how they relate to and rely on one another.
- You will also be given the opportunity to find out about the people who work in these organisations, from
  performers to people who work in technical, production and administrative roles. If you wish to work in the
  music sector or intend to progress to higher qualification levels, you will need to understand the various
  business practices within the industry and the range of job opportunities that exist. You will also need to
  understand how the industry operates for the individual entrepreneurs, sole traders, partnerships and small
  organisations that predominate. This unit aims to help you gain awareness and the underpinning knowledge of
  the structure of the music industry, it's working practices and opportunities.

### BTEC MUSIC - UNIT 4 – COMPOSITION + Unit 1

### Students will:

- Create four detailed and contrasting musical ideas in response to a compositional brief that could form the basis for a composition, showing the imaginative and appropriate application of least two different starting points.
- Demonstrate skilful selection and effective use of melodic and harmonic techniques to develop two contrasting musical ideas into more extended compositional drafts, showing imagination and flair.
- Demonstrate skilful selection and use of appropriate structures to effectively develop one compositional draft into a completed composition, showing imagination, style and flair as appropriate given the brief.
- Present musical ideas in an appropriate format with clarity, accuracy and attention to detail.

### Unit introduction

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- You will discover a range of compositional techniques and produce contrasting musical ideas to develop your compositional expertise. An idea might take the form of a short melodic motif, a chord progression or a rhythmic idea. Ideas can be short or long you will consider the different ways in which these ideas could form the basis for a complete piece of music.
- You will be introduced to ways to extend, develop and shape music that suits different situations. Briefs will be used to present you with real-life compositional challenges that may require the composition of a very short piece, e.g. for a 20 second TV advert, or a more extended composition, e.g. for a film scene. Above all, this unit is about the creation of music in the here and now.
- You will be encouraged to find your own creative routes through the compositional process and ultimately begin to develop your own creative voice.

to create music using a variety of sources, including loops and software instruments.

- You will edit your music by the application of different processes such as quantisation, looping and note editing, and enhance the sound by the addition of appropriate plug-in effects such as reverb, delay and distortion. You will then learn how to create a final mix that will become a completed audio file.
- As you learn through experiencing and using the software, you will gain an understanding of the roles of different software tools, leading to the production of music that uses the full functionality of the software available.
- You will use your knowledge to create either original music or a creative arrangement of music already written by others.

# BTEC MUSIC - UNIT 7 – MUSIC SEQUENCING + Unit 1

### Students will:

- Explain the features of music sequencing techniques in relation to note input and editing and the use of effects and their potential applications.
- Select and apply sequencing techniques in the production of a piece of music, with attention to detail and musicality.
- Select and apply mixing techniques that enhance the final mix.

# Unit introduction

- Digital technology is a huge part of the music that surrounds us in the 21st century. In this unit, you will be using sequencing software packages to create music in response to a realistic, music-industry-led brief. You will learn how to create music using a variety of sources, including loops and software instruments.
- You will edit your music by the application of different processes such as quantisation, looping and note editing, and enhance the sound by the addition of appropriate plug-in effects such as reverb, delay and distortion. You will then learn how to create a final mix that will become a completed audio file. As you learn through experiencing and using the software, you will gain an understanding of the roles of different software tools, leading to the production of music that uses the full functionality of the software available.
- You will use your knowledge to create either original music or a creative arrangement of music already written by others. Explain the features of music sequencing techniques in relation to note input and editing and the use of effects and their potential applications.
- You will select and apply sequencing techniques in the production of a piece of music, with attention to detail and musicality.
- You will select and apply mixing techniques that enhance the final mix.

National Curriculum – Music

Department for Education

# Music programmes of study: key stage 3

# National curriculum in England

# Purpose of study

Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A highquality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen with discrimination to the best in the musical canon.

# Aims

The national curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils:

- perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians
- learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence
- understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

### Attainment targets

By the end of key stage 3, pupils are expected to know, apply and understand the matters, skills and processes specified in the programme of study.

#### Music - key stage 3

### Subject content

### Key stage 3

Pupils should build on their previous knowledge and skills through performing, composing and listening. They should develop their vocal and/or instrumental fluency, accuracy and expressiveness; and understand musical structures, styles, genres and traditions, identifying the expressive use of musical dimensions. They should listen with increasing discrimination and awareness to inform their practice as musicians. They should use technologies appropriately and appreciate and understand a wide range of musical contexts and styles.

### Pupils should be taught to:

- play and perform confidently in a range of solo and ensemble contexts using their voice, playing instruments musically, fluently and with accuracy and expression
- improvise and compose; and extend and develop musical ideas by drawing on a range of musical structures, styles, genres and traditions
- use staff and other relevant notations appropriately and accurately in a range of musical styles, genres and traditions
- identify and use the inter-related dimensions of music expressively and with increasing sophistication, including use of tonalities, different types of scales and other musical devices
- listen with increasing discrimination to a wide range of music from great composers and musicians
- develop a deepening understanding of the music that they perform and to which they listen, and its history.

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# Ks3 Rubric – Music

4*	MUSIC							
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	MARKS	PERFORMANCE	COMPOSITION	KNOWLEDGE	APPRAISING	MUSICIANSHIP		
		An expressive performance in keeping with the style	Composes music which is highly effective, musical and fits the demands of the brief	Confidently and consistently use a wide	Perceptive answer with detailed explanation and critical judgements	Fully aware of their own, and others contributions and shows encouragement and respect for others.		
EXCEEDING	8/9	Creates a convincing performance with some sense of style	Composes music which is effective, musical and fits the demands of the brief	range of musical/technical/theory knowledge	Explanation on how the elements link to the purpose/effect	Show full willingness and resilience and aim high. Shows purpose in rehearsal techniques and respond to challenge with enthusiasm		
MEETING	6/7	Performs fluently with reliable technical control	Composes music which is generally effective and fits the demands of the brief	Reliably apply musical/technical/theory	Description of the musical features and their link to the purpose/effect	Aware of their own, and others contributions and shows some encouragement and respect for others. Show some willingness and resilience. Show some purpose in rehearsal techniques		
WEE	<b>H</b> 4/5	Performs fluently	Composes music which fits the demands of the brief	knowledge	Identification of the musical features and some link to the purpose/effect	Aware of their own, and others contributions and shows some encouragement Show some willingness and resilience. Some ability to rehearse		
DEVELOPING	3 - 1	Shows evidence of developing fluency and technical control Accuracy achieved at expense of fluency	Composes a limited number of musical ideas involving set guidelines Suggests a creative solution to a brief	Some inaccuracies when using musical/technical/theory knowledge	Basic details of the musical features with a limited link to purpose/effect Little detail of the musical features	Not aware of their own, and others contributions Not showing purpose in rehearsal techniques or lacking in resilience		