Music - Year 10 Curriculum

Term	Content	Links to Prior Learning	Skills and Assessment (Implementation)	Expected Learning Outcomes (Impact)
1	 Composition Writing a melody Writing an accompaniment Developing musical ideas Composing using the musical elements Composing in different styles: film music, pop songs, theme and variation, minimalism 	Develops upon composition skills learnt in Year 9 in both Band Skills and Film Music projects	Skills: Creating ideas Developing ideas Writing for a brief Assessment Series of short composition tasks that are marked formatively	To create ideas that are effective and skilfully developed. To create contrasts in mood. To use the musical elements skilfully and effectively. To compose coherently and to a brief.
	Appraisal Notation (rhythm and pitch) Instruments Key signatures Chords Cadences Musical Elements	Builds upon theory learnt in KS3, for example: • Year 7 Rhythm and Instruments (rhythm and notation; musical elements) • Year 8 Musicals (chords) • Year 9 Film Music (musical elements)	Skills: Reading notation Knowledge Analysis Assessment Theory tests at the beginning and end of term	To have a strong understanding of musical notation. To develop knowledge and understanding of musical elements and musical language.
	Performance • Solo Performance	Builds upon performance skills developed across KS3 curriculum.	Skills:	To develop their knowledge and understanding of music through performance. To perform with technical control, expression and interpretation.
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	Appraisal AoS1: Musical Forms and Devices • Periods of music • Structures • Musical Devices • Set Work - Badinerie	Builds upon theory learnt in KS3, for example: • Year 7 Djembe Drumming (structures) • Year 9 Music Production (structures and devices) • Year 8 Programme Music (devices, musical elements)	Skills:	To understand structural forms and devices across a variety of genres and styles from the Western Classical tradition. To analyse Badinerie.
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	Appraisal AoS3: Film Music Features of film music Purpose of film music – effect/mood Common devices – Leitmotifs	Builds upon learning in Year 9 Film Music project and composition skills learnt	Skills:	To develop an understanding of film music including the use of timbre, tone colour and dynamics for effect. To develop an understanding of the key devices that are used by composers in film music.
4	Composition • Free composition	Students implement learning from terms 1-3	Skills:	To create ideas that are effective and skilfully developed. To create contrasts in mood.

		Students start real GCSE compositions. Deadlines set for progress, final composition marked in term 6.	To use the musical elements skilfully and effectively. To compose coherently and to a brief.
Appraisal 10 Mark Essay Question • How to write and structure the 10 mark essay questions • Practise questions based on AoS1 and AoS3 AoS2: Musical for Ensemble • Types of ensembles • Chamber music • Jazz and Blues • Musicals	10 mark essay practise will build upon content learnt in AoS1 and AoS3 Music for Ensemble will build upon learning in KS3 including Year 8 Texture, Year 8 Musicals, Year 8 Blues.	Skills:	To use appraising skills to make evaluative and critical judgements about music. To develop an understanding of sonority and texture, including instrumental and vocal groupings as appropriate to their context. To understand how composers combine musical lines in a variety of different musical styles and genres, including chamber music, musical theatre, jazz and blues.
5 Composition • Free composition	Students implement learning from terms 1-3	Skills:	To create ideas that are effective and skilfully developed. To create contrasts in mood. To use the musical elements skilfully and effectively. To compose coherently and to a brief.
Appraisal AoS3: Music for Ensemble cont. Types of ensembles Chamber music Jazz and Blues Musicals	Music for Ensemble will build upon learning in KS3 including Year 8 Texture, Year 8 Musicals, Year 8 Blues.	Skills:	To understand how composers combine musical lines in a variety of different musical styles and genres, including chamber music, musical theatre, jazz and blues.

			GCSE style listening questions	
	Composition • Free composition	Students implement learning from terms 1-3	Skills:	To create ideas that are effective and skilfully developed. To create contrasts in mood. To use the musical elements skilfully and effectively. To compose coherently and to a brief
	 Appraisal Revision of topics covered in preparation for mocks. Exam technique for listening questions and essay question 	Revision and recap of AoS1, AoS2, AoS3.	Skills:	To develop knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language. To use appraising skills to make evaluative and critical judgements about music.