

Music

Key Stage 3 Overview



What will your child study at Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9)?

Year 7 Curriculum Overview

7	Unit	Unit 2	Unit 3
Topic	Rhythm & Pitch	Playing-a-Round	Danse Macabre
Covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils explore musical rhythms and patterns • Working as a team within a musical ensemble • Composing and performance introduction • Group singing • Listening and appraising skills • Key words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keyboard skills • Introduction to musical notation • Rehearsal techniques • Performance skills • Listening and Appraising • Group singing • Key words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and appraising skills • Composition skills • Developing creative thinking through music • Interpersonal skills working in pairs to create a piece of music • Performance skills • Independent Learning skills • Group singing • Key words

Year 8 Curriculum Overview

8	Unit	Unit 2	Unit 3
Topic	Blues Music	Minuet	Sibelius
Covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and appraising skills • Cultural understanding • Improvisation • Rehearsal techniques • Independent Learning skills • Teamwork skills • Performance skills • Group singing • Key words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and appraising • Composition skills • Using musical notation • Independent Learning • Rehearsal skills • Performance skills • Group singing • Key words 	<p>Introduction notation software on the iMacs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inputting music on the iMacs • Developing compositions using Sibelius software • Producing a score • Independent Learning • ICT skills • Key words <p>The Minuet and Sibelius Units link together as pupils will use the Minuets they composed as their starting points for inputting music into Sibelius and will develop these compositions on the software.</p>

Year 9 Curriculum Overview

9	Unit 1	Unit 2
Topic	Variations/Logic	Film Music
Covered	<p>Inputting music into sequencing software. How you can use computer software to record and create variations on a piece of music.</p> <p>Developing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative skills • Independent learning • ICT skills- using sequencing software • Listening and appraising skills • Key words 	<p>Looking at how music is used in films and TV programmes.</p> <p>Developing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of how music is used to enhance what we see on screen • Creating music for film and TV using music computer software • ICT skills- using sequencing software • Listening and appraising skills • Key words • Independent learning skills • Creative thinking skills

How can parents support their child?

- Trips to shows, theatre and concerts.
- Help pupils to learn musical notes or singing lines at home.
- Encourage to join extra-curricular music clubs.
- Discuss different genres of music with their child.