Henlow Academy Music Curriculum Information

Intent	Implementation	Impact
By the end of Key Stage 3 students will be GSCE ready Their lessons will have covered a wide range of musical styles and genres including but not limited to: • Western Classical Tradition • Popular Music • Music of Black Origin • World Music • Film Music	All music lessons are predominantly practical developing the students performing, composing and appraising skills. Central to the lessons are musical elements: • Melody • Articulation • Dynamics • Texture • Structure • Harmony • Instruments • Rhythm • Time/Tempo	At KS3 Students will identify and apply the musical elements to their own performances and compositions. At KS4 students will meet the requirements of the Eduqas GSCE Specification completing the exam and non exam components: Performing Composing Appraisal Examination

Year 7 Music Curriculum Plan – Pupils will study all units across the year not necessarily in this order							
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6	
Theme	Building Bricks	Keyboard Skills	YuStudio	Samba	Sonority City	Folk Music	
Key concepts	 Musical Elements MAD T SHIRT mnemonic Instrumental skills Composing using graphic notation. 	 Simple pitch and rhythm notation Performing in the C hand position Adding Single Finger Chords 	 Introduction to a DAW Basic sequencing History of Rap 	 More complex syncopated rhythms. Performing in an ensemble. Composing polyphonic rhythms 	 Exploring the sonority of the 4 instrumental families Ensemble performance skills Composing for an instrument. 	 Performing simple melodies. Adding a range of different bass lines. 	
SMSC, Careers and British values	Music examples from Western Classical the Tradition and World Music. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – discussion with instrumental teachers about their careers	Music examples from the Western classical notation. Seasonal material. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – explore careers in musical instrument manufacture.	Examples from Music of Black Origin (MOBO). Influence of MOBO on popular music culture in UK. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – music industry, working with a composer and music producer.	Examples of World Music – fusion of a cultures in Samba. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – exploring the roles within event planning	Examples from the Western Classical Tradition. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – exploring the opportunities within British Orchestras and Bands.	Examples from British and other Folk Music traditions Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – exploring the role of musicologists	
Parental support	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	Listen to and talk about a wide range of music with your child. Change the radio station or try new playlists.	

Year 8 Curriculum Plan – Pupils will study all units across the year not necessarily in this order							
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 2 Unit 3		Unit 5		
Theme	Hooks and Riffs	Offbeat	YuStudio House Music	All That Jazz	All About The Bass		
Key concepts	 Ostinato and Riffs repeating bass lines Hooks – catchy memorable melodies Composing using an ostinato 	 Primary Chords Offbeat rhythms Syncopation Characteristics of Reggae 	 Composing using a DAW Sequencing Characteristics of House Music 	 Origins of Jazz and the Blues 12 Bar chord sequence Improvisation Swing music and local context Primary Chords 	 Walking Bass Alberti Bass Broken Chords Inversions Bass Staff Notation 		
SMSC, Careers and British values	Music examples from Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – discussion with instrumental teachers about their careers	Examples from Music of Black Origin (MOBO). Influence of MOBO on popular music culture in UK. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – explore careers within the Pop Music Industry.	Examples from House Music. DJ's and other Electronic Dance Music. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – music industry, working with a composer and music producer.	Examples from Music of Black Origin (MOBO). Influence of MOBO on popular music culture in UK. Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – explore careers in the entertainment industry – jazz clubs.	Music examples from Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society. Careers – explore instrumental roles in the music industry.		
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Year 9 Curriculum Plan							
	Unit 1	Unit 2 Unit 3		Unit 4	Unit 5		
Theme/spec objective	Dance Music	Soundtracks	Computer and Video Game Music	New Directions	What Makes A Good Song		
Key concepts	 Dance music from different times and places Texture – melody and accompaniment Time Signatures Primary Chords 	 Leitmotifs Character themes Incidental Music 	 Ground theme Syncopation Characterisation Sound effects 	 Tone rows Minimalism Hexachords Phase shifting 	 Lyrics and song words Hooks and Riffs Song tructure Instrumentation Cover versions 		
SMSC and British values	Music examples from the Western Classical Tradition and Pop MusicMusic examples from Western Classical the Tradition and Pop MEmpathy, teamwork, resilience, turn takingEmpathy, teamwork, resilience, turn takingEmpathy, teamwork resilience, turn takingCelebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society.Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society.Careers - exploring the Film Industry		Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – exploring roles in the Gaming industry	Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – exploring 21st Century composers	Music examples from Pop Music Empathy, teamwork, resilience, turn taking Celebratory wellbeing through clapping and support of peers. Inclusion and law and order in British society Careers – exploring roles in the Pop Music Industry		
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Year 10 Curriculum Plan							
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2/First Half Summer 1	Second Half Summer 1/Summer 2		
Theme	Area of Study 1 Form and Devices	Area of Study 4 Popular Music	Area of Study 2 Music for Ensemble	Area of Słudy 3 Film Music	Revisit all topics covered in Year 10		
Key Concepts	 Binary, ternary and rondo forms Repetition, contrast, sequence, ostinato, dotted rhythms, conjunct and disjunct movement, broken chord/arpeggio, melodic and rhythmic motifs, simple chord progressions Notating a simple melody Using ICT in the music department Appreciating and using the elements/ 'building blocks' Recapping the basics – aural, notational and listening skills Introduction to prepared extract – Badinerie 	 Rock and pop styles (revisiting Blues from KS3) Strophic form, 32 bar song form, verse, chorus, middle 8, riffs, bridge, fill, break, intros and outros, backing tracks, improvisation Appraising - more challenging theoretical and aural work: Primary and secondary chords, cadences, standard chord progressions, power chords, rhythmic devices such as syncopation, driving rhythms The relationship between melody and chords How to 'describe' a piece using the elements of musical language Introduction to prepared extract - Africa 	 Performing in smaller ensembles; (e.g. chamber music, jazz, musical theatre etc.) as suited to learner interests (cover other topics in year 11). Composing using texture and sonority (chords and melody) including: Monophonic, homophonic, unison, chordal, melody and accompaniment, countermelody Introducing additional concepts of melody, harmony and tonality: 	 Layering, further examples of imitation, chromatic movement and dissonance in harmonic work, leitmotifs, thematic transformation of ideas The relationship between the story and the music: choosing appropriate elements of music to represent characters and plot The effect of audience, time and place, and how to achieve this through use of the musical elements Use of sonority, texture and dynamics to create a mood How to achieve contrasts and develop initial ideas when composing 	 Revisit all topics from year 10 using different pieces as listening and performing examples Complete free composition project (of choice) and submit Continue to build aural skills through frequent practice. 		
SMSC and British Values	 Music examples from the Western Classical Tradition Careers – discussion with instrumental teachers about their careers 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the music industry 	 Music examples to include Music of Black Origin Careers – explore further opportunities within the music industry 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the film industry 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities in the wider media e.g TV and Radio 		
Parental Support	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice for performance elements. Engage students to use the music elements in their compositions.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice for performance elements. Engage students to use the music elements in their compositions.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice for performance elements. Engage students to use the music elements in their compositions.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice for performance elements. Engage students to use the music elements in their compositions.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice for performance elements. Engage students to use the music elements in their compositions.		

Year 11 Curriculum Plan							
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2/First Half Summer 1	Second Half Summer 1/Summer 2		
Theme	AO 1 – Form and Devices	AO 4 – Popular Music	AO 2 – Music For Ensemble	A0 3 – Film Music	Final Revision		
Key Concepts	 Variation form and strophic form in classical music Recognition of features of baroque, classical and romantic periods Revisit: imitation, pedal, canon, alberti bass and all harmonic features Revisit and revision: Badinerie Exam techniques: hints and tips Building a vocabulary revision list Clarifying theoretical points 	 Bhangra and fusion Loops, samples, panning, phasing, melismatic/syllabic Revisit Since You've Been Gone Exam techniques: hints and tips Building a vocabulary revision list Clarifying all relevant theoretical points 	 Polyphonic, layered, round, canon and countermelody Cover all styles not completed in year 10 	 Special effects, extreme dynamics and tempi, varying time signatures, other minimalistic techniques, chromatic and extended harmonies, use of pattern-work, sustained notes and polyphonic textures to vary the textures Complete all coursework 	 Exam practice questions, both at home and in class Discussion of revision techniques and learner answers – (and how to improve answers and achieve higher marks!) Consolidation of examination techniques and expectations Top tips and revision booklets etc. 		
SMSC and British Values	 Music examples from the Western Classical Tradition and Pop Music Careers – discussion with instrumental teachers about their career 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the music industry 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the music industry 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the music industry 	 Music examples from the Western Classical the Tradition and Pop Music Careers – explore opportunities within the music industry 		
Parental Support	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice to meet the mark scheme for performances. Check that the composition log is being completed.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice to meet the mark scheme for performances. Check that the composition log is being completed.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Encourage regular practice to meet the mark scheme for performances. Check that the composition log is being completed.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Focus on the musical elements and long answer questions.	Engagement with listening and appraising homework. Focus on the musical elements and long answer questions.		

Assessment Overview							
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6	
Year 7	Initial composing assessment	Performance of a 5 note piece of music	Composing using a DAW	Composing and performing complex rhythms	Performing in an ensemble	Composing a simple bass line	
Year 8	Composing using an ostinato	Performing in an ensemble	Composing using a DAW	Composing using improvisation	Composing a melody and bass line		
Year 9	Composing a stylistic piece of dance music	Composing music for a section of film	Composing for a video game sequence using a DAW	Composing using 20 th Century techniques	Composing a song		
Year 10	 Ensemble (and possibly solo) performance Assessment of melody Short listening test to include basic rhythmic and pitch dictation and basic musical elements identification 	 Ensemble performance and peer assessment of group work Assessment of chordal work and ideas in composing sketch book Short listening tests, interspersed throughout the project 	 Assessment of compositional ideas Short listening tests and activities, interspersed throughout SoW 	 Ensemble / Solo performance: show back in front of class, or invited audience Assessment of film music composition, with clear targets set for further development and refinement Short listening tests 	 Assessment of composition to WJEC Eduqas criteria. Discussion should follow with learners re. targets, refinement etc. 	 Mock Performance Assessment – two pieces, with at least one ensemble (times should be noted, and feedback given) Mock listening exam based on all areas of study 	
Year 11	 Initial recordings and assessment of solo and ensemble performances using the Eduqas criteria. 	 Monitor composition, processes, progress and composition log Mock listening exam based on all areas of study 	 Assess composition to brief using WJEC Eduqas criteria. Ensure that all authentication procedures have been included Final assessment of performances using the Eduqas criteria. 	 Complete all course work and assess using WJEC Eduqas criteria Complete all necessary documentation ready for submission 	 Complete all necessary documentation ready for submission Submission of final performing and composing marks 	• Final Appraisal Exam	