# The Castle School MUSIC CURRICULUM MAP 2025/26

# **INTENT:**

- Celebrate Inclusion and bring all students together and help them feel connected to others through music.
- For students to be motivated to enjoy and succeed in music.
- To develop musical skills and concepts through listening, appraising, performing/singing and composing.
- To introduce a broad repertoire of music from Western Classical Tradition and the best popular music and music from around the world, developing an understanding of musical traditions in a variety of cultures, genres and historical periods.
- learn a musical instrument and give pupils the chance to progress to the next level of musical excellence through extra-curricular clubs.
- To include regular ensemble instrumental lessons and active engagement with technology as they have the potential to be a gateway to a life of enjoyable musical activity.
- Inspire and introduce students to musicians and ensembles outside the timetabled curriculum through extra-curricular clubs, workshops, theatre and concert visits.
- understand and explore how music is created and communicated, including through the musical elements/inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture and musical notations.
- develop social skills through co-operation with others in the shared experience of music making.

# **BIG THEMES:**

SINGING: Students will sing regularly with a sense of ensemble and performance. Observing phrasing, accurate pitching and dynamic contrast.

Extra- Curricular singing mix year groups include choir and school production. Yearly opportunities for vocal workshop with professional singers, arrangers and composers have included opera singers, acapella groups and world class vocal coaches/arrangers.

LISTENING/APPRAISING: Listening is fundamental to musical understanding. By learning to listen critically, pupils will expand their musical horizons and gain a deeper understanding of how music is constructed and what impact that can have. Students will listen to a broad range of music from great composers and a wide range of cultures and traditions with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.

Extra- Curricular listening in the form of visiting performance groups (past has included Royal Marines, Somerset Symphony Orchestra, Yaaba Funk. Also, external visits to the theatre to watch a musical (universal year 7 offer) and a concert hall to watch a symphony orchestra yearly.

**COMPOSING:** Building on explored melodic composition in KS2, students will continue to explore music through improvisation and will be given opportunities to learn about harmony. Students will be able to form and use primary chords in 2 keys and embellish these with basslines, melodies and rhythmic accompaniment.

INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMING: Whole class and small-group ensembles make up half of the KS3 curriculum. This will develop students' instrumental skills, overall musical skills and a greater appreciation for others' music making as an audience member. In KS3 this includes Rock and Pop bands, The Blues, Musical bands and West African Djembe drumming. Extra- Curricular instrumental mix year group ensembles include Mini Orchestra, Orchestra, Folk Group, Steel Pan Group, Indonesian Gamelan workshop, 1 year free brass tuition offer to all year 7 and 8's (14 uptake)

PRODUCTION: Students will explore how musical elements, technology and other resources are used in the performance, creation and production of music using software instruments, audio and software tools, manipulation techniques, inputting and editing audio, using effects, sampling, quantisation, sequencing and automation.

# Key stage 2 (taken from the MMC)

At Key Stages 1 and 2, pupils should receive a minimum of one hour of teaching a week; this may take the form of short sessions spread across the week.

In Years 3 or 4, it is recommended that each class should start a whole-class instrumental programme lasting a minimum of one term. The mandatory term will be supported by teachers from the local Music Education Hub. Opportunities for development should continue beyond the mandatory term.

There should be access to both rhythmic and melodic instruments in Key Stages 1 and 2; this may be as part of the whole-class instrumental programme and/or in other classroom teaching.

Staff Notation   Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 & 6
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5h7	range of 5 <sup>th</sup> range of Octav		Rallentando, range of 3 <sup>rd</sup> range of 5 <sup>th</sup> range of Octave, forte, piano, crescendo, decrescendo		Crotchets, Quavers, Minims, Semibreves, Semiquavers, Rests, Fime Signatures 2/4, ¾ and 4/4, Allegro, Adagio, Accelerando, Rallentando, range of 3 <sup>rd</sup> range of 5 <sup>th</sup> range of Octave, forte, piano, crescendo, decrescendo	
_			sion may be required due to m	issed lessons/timetabling etc.	The order the SOW as taught	will vary for each class to
	nave access to various r	esource, instruments and envi				
MMC			Year	7 SOW		
Singing	Sing three- and four-part rou	nds.				
Listening	Using music from the list of s	uggested repertoire or repertoire chose	en by each school, Year 7 pupils should be	e re-introduced to the meaning of the	elements specified on page 39 and thei	r realisation in sound.
Composing	Compose bass lines using the chord sequences on the keyb improvisation, bearing in min	root note of each chord. • Create melo loard or guitar in C major or A minor. • I and phrase structure. • Harmonise the ca	range of familiar songs as compositional odic song-lines shaped by lyrics and/or has Explore melodic line and simple structurated dence points of these phrases. Improvise are via a Digital Audio Workstation. • Exp	armonic intention. Programme Music • al ideas, e.g. ABA.48 Melody and Accor e • Improvise new musical ideas over (	Play given chord sequences as example npaniment • Compose melodies using value a) a drone, (b) a chord sequence(s) or (compose melodies)	es of harmonic effect. • Compos vocal or instrumental
Instrumental	Learn to find notes on the ke	yboards. • Play rhythmically simple mel	odies on keyboard instruments, followin	g staff notation written on one stave.	Use notes within a range of a 5th tran	sposed into C major or A minor.
Performance						
Staff Notation		ets, Quavers, Semiquavers, Dotted Croto e ledger line, staccato and legato, G maj	hets/quavers, Dotted quavers/semiquav	ers, Treble clef Middle C to F, Bass cle	G to Middle C, ¾ and 4/4, C Major/A M	linor, f and p, crescendo and
Year 7 SOW	The Voice and The Power of the Pentatonic	Beginner Saxophone	Descriptive Music - Danse Macabre	Descriptive Music - Journey into Space	Pop Song Performance	Pop Song Composition
	Development of PERFORMING skills by learning chords to pop songs as a class. Individual PERFORMING and development of keyboard skills, music based on the pentatonic scale. COMPOSING through improvisation using the pentatonic scale. Learning about the voice, and singing rounds and a folk song, a musical song and pop songs. Development of musical element knowledge through listening	Development of PERFORMING skills by learning 12 bar Blues, improvising and simple songs.  COMPOSING through improvisation 6 pitches on the saxophone.  Learning about the sax, how it works, its history and famous saxophone solo's in pop culture.  Development of musical element knowledge through listening	Group COMPOSING descriptive music based on 'Danse Macabre' by Saint Saens. Small ensembles using instruments.  Development of ensemble performance techniques APPRAISING/LISTENING examples of descriptive music.	Paired COMPOSING music 'Floating through Space' based on 'The Planet Suite' by Holst using Cubase.  Development of software production skills  APPRAISING examples of descriptive music.	Ensemble PERFORMANCE.  Development of instrumental and performance skills through a performance of a pop song.  LISTENING/APPRAISING  Understanding instrumentation, structure, lyrics and context.  Singing pop song chorus in 2 parts	Paired COMPOSING Pop songs Chords, Harmony, Structure/Form, Texture, Melody, Instrumentation. 4 Chords in C major/A minor Pentatonic Riff and root note bass. Midi input and sequencing. Using microphones, it capture audio of melody lines and or rapping LISTENING/APPRAISIN Understanding instrumentation, structure, lyrics and context of pop songs
Prior Knowledge	Homework: Teaching Gadget, naming note lengths and pitch. + Baseline quiz on (DRSMITH).	Homework: Teaching Gadget, naming note lengths and pitch. + Baseline quiz on (DRSMITH).	Composition: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills First attempt at composing. Flexible differentiated resource.  Appraising: listening to prominent compositions. Informing potential	Composition: Keyboard ('Introduction to music' YR 7 SOW), flexible differentiated resource.  Appraising: listening to prominent compositions. Informing potential	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various YR 7 SOW), how to read basic notation, chord sheets and TAB.	Composition: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various YR 7 SOW), flexible differentiated resource.

	Building on most Primary	Building on 1-2-1 instrumental	future learning at GCSE. Musical	future learning at GCSE. Musical	Appraising: listening to	Production: Developing basic
	music work would be vocal.	lessons in Primary, privately or as a	Elements.	Elements. Introducing theory:	compositions for textural,	sequencing software skills such
	masie werk wedia se vesai.	wider ops.(Somerset music)	Liemento.	addition of how to build chords, tonic	instrumental and structural	as quantizing, automation,
	Singing: Build on Round and		Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental	and dominant, semitones and tones.	analysis, informing potential future	microphone skills.
	part singing from Primary	Possibly no Music Tech	Skills (Various YR 7 SOW), how to read		learning at BTEC and GCSE.	
	school.	sequencing/composing experience.	basic notation, chord sheets and TAB.	Production: Developing basic		Appraising: listening to
	Douf-was a No. 1			sequencing software skills such as	Composition: Pop song	compositions for textural,
	Performance: No keyboard			quantizing, automation.	compositional development,	instrumental and structural
	skills - may have completed a whole class project on an				following on from Primary	analysis, informing potential
	instrument in KS1/2. Some				community sessions.	future learning at BTEC and
	primary schools may have				Singing: Build on Round and part	GCSE.
	ukulele clubs.				singing from Primary school and	Singing: Take inspiration and
	ukulele elabs.				from term 1.	influence from songs learnt
	Possibly no Music Tech				moniterini 1.	from KS1 and 2 and personal
	sequencing/composing					preference re style.
	experience.					,
Metacognition and self-	Modelling for individual	Modelling individual parts and	Modelling individual parts as well as	Modelling of ideas based upon prior	Modelling of ideas based upon	Modelling individual parts as
regulation	parts as well as rehearsal	modelling of ideas. Scaffolded	rehearsal practice skills. Scaffolded	knowledge of sequencing software	prior knowledge of sequencing	well as rehearsal practice skills.
	practice skills. Scaffolded	musical parts created, with	musical parts created, with	and more in-depth skills needed to	software and more in-depth skills	Scaffolded musical parts
	musical parts created, with	opportunities to develop the musical	opportunities to develop the musical	develop.	needed to develop.	created, with opportunities to
	opportunities to develop	line.	line.			develop the musical line.
	the musical line.			Decision making – in choosing and	Decision making – in choosing and	5
			Decision making – self-regulated	organising their music in line with the	organising their music in line with	Decision making – self-
			group rehearsal time to compose a	elements of music.	the elements of music.	regulated group rehearsal time
			descriptive piece of music.			to recreate a pop piece of music.
						music.

Developing literacy	KEY WORDS specific to SOW:  DRSMITH Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Melody, Metre, Instrumentation (inc. Groups and Sonority/Timbre) Texture, Tempo, Harmony (inc Tonality)  Singing: Melismatic, Syllabic, SATB, Pitch, Harmony, Vocal Cords, Larynx, Beat box, Rap, Opera, Pop, Yodeling, Canon/Round, Unison, Polyphonic, Falsetto, Belt, Call and Response, a Capella.  Keyboard: Legato, Staccato, Pentatonic, Melody, Scale, Octave, Improvisation, Treble Clef, Treble Clef Staff Notation, Stave, Staff, Lines, Spaces, Black Keys, Sharps (#), Flats (b), Metre  Pitch, treble clef (FACE, Every Good Boy Deserves Food),  KEY WORDS general.  Note Values Dynamic descriptors e.g crescendo	Peer assessment – students giving verbal feedback based upon other's individual performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary.  DRSMITH – See column 1  KEY WORDS: Reed, Ligature, mouthpiece, neck, Body, neck strap, solo, improvisation, 12 bar blues, embouchure, diaphragm  KEY WORDS general.  Pitch, treble clef (FACE, Every Good Boy Deserves Food), rhythm, crotchet, quavers, semiquavers, rests, pulse, dynamics, sonority	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  KEY WORDS: Composer, Ostinato, Movement, Mood, Tempo, Instrumental Voices and Groupings (Orch groups), Waltz, dissonance, drone, chromatic, TriTone, Tone Poem, Metre 3/4  KEY WORDS general.  Musical note values e.g. crotchets  Dynamic descriptors e.g. crescendo	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  KEY WORDS specific to SOW: Ostinato, Drone, Time Signature, Metre, 5/4, Composer, crescendo, triplet, crotchet, quaver, Dynamics, Volume Automation, Texture, Synthesizer, Chord, Suite	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  Lyric writing – thinking about phrase length, syllables and rhyming skills.  KEY WORDS: Popular Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Verse(s), Strophic, Link, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Bridge/Middle 8, Coda (outro); Lyrics, Hook, Riff, Melody, Countermelody, Texture, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line, Lead Sheet, Arrangement, Cover Version, Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct, Range; Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs. Semibreves, Minims, Crotchets, Quavers, Semiquavers, Dotted Crotchets/quavers, Dotted quavers/semiquavers, Treble clef Middle C to F, Bass clef G to Middle C, ¾ and 4/4, C Major/A Minor, f and p, crescendo and decrescendo, mp and mf, one ledger line, staccato and legato, G major/E minor, 6/8 Slurs	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  KEY WORDS: Popular Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Verse(s), Strophic, Link, Pre- Chorus, Chorus, Bridge/Middle 8, Coda (outro); Lyrics, Hook, Riff, Melody, Countermelody, Texture, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line, Lead Sheet, Arrangement, Cover Version, Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct, Range; Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs. Semibreves, Minims, Crotchets, Quavers, Semiquavers, Dotted Crotchets/quavers, Dotted quavers/semiquavers, Treble clef Middle C to F, Bass clef G to Middle C, ¾ and 4/4, C Major/A Minor, f and p, crescendo and decrescendo, mp and mf, one ledger line, staccato and legato, G major/E minor, 6/8 Slurs
Culture Capital	African Folk songs Inuit throat singing Yodeling Monk Gregorian Chanting Opera – Pavarotti Rap – Will Smith Pop  Pentatonic songs Trad. Amazing Grace Alicia Keys – New York Eliza Dolittle – Pack up		Heitor Villa Lobos – Little train of the Capoeira Korsakov – Flight of the bumblebee Saint-Saens – Danse Macabre and	Holst – Venus and Mars Williams – Star Wars/Harry Potter Copland – Rodeo Saint-Saens – Swan LOOK AT MMC	Bastille – Pompeii Walk the Moon – Shut Up and Dance George Ezra – Shotgun Reggae Mash up	Pop Songs LOOK AT MMC

	African Spiritual - Swing Low Sweet Chariot					
Disciplinary	Development of performing Music based on written notation and improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of performing music as an ensemble in different styles (12 bar blues and improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills using technical feedback inc. musical elements	Development of compositional skills based on written notation and improvisation and historical example using instruments.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of compositional skills based on written notation and improvisation and historical example using technology.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of performing Music based on written notation and improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of compositional skills based on written notation and improvisation and historical example using instruments.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/  Context/Personal reaction.
Substantive	Development of music theory/musical elements  Understanding of key words  Understanding of historical/cultural reference  Understand physiological aspects of the human voice	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words Understanding of historical/cultural reference
Home Learning/ Teaching Gadget	Note Lengths Notes of the Treble Clef DR SMITH Baseline assessment	Note Lengths  Notes of the Treble Clef Instruments Baseline assessment Rhythm Level 1	Instruments of the Orchestra – Brass and Woodwind	Pop Song Structure and Basic Musical Signs		
		ace of half a term. Some exten	sion may be required due to mi	ssed lessons/timetabling etc	The order the SOW as taught	will vary for each class

MMC	Year 8 SOW										
Singing	Sing chordal harmony in two or three parts										
Listening	Using music from the list of suggested repertoires, or repertoire chosen by each school, Year 8 pupils should return to the meaning of the elements specified on page 39 and start to practise identifying their use in music.										
Composing	jor, A minor or E minor. • Compintention. Programme Music • and percussive sounds. • Explo	Develop understanding of composition through one of/a combination of: 'Song' Writing (with or without lyrics) • Play chord sequences from familiar songs with rhythmic vitality. • Compose chord sequences on the keyboard or guitar in C major, G ma APPRAISING blues music throughout its history. Its origins, how it was developed and understand how blues and jazz has influenced popular music including fusion.  jor, A minor or E minor. • Compose simple bass lines using the root note of each chord. • Create rhythmic accompaniment to support chord sequences. • Compose melodic lines, shaped by lyrics and/or harmonic intention. Programme Music • Compose chord sequences on the keyboard or guitar in C major, G major, A minor or E minor. • Compose a harmonic sequence in response to an extra-musical stimulus. • Use percussion and percussive sounds. • Explore melodic line/structural ideas, e.g. AABA. Melody and Accompaniment • Compose melodies using vocal or instrumental improvisation, bearing in mind phrase structure. • Harmonise melodies using the root notes from primary chords and appropriate cadences. Improvisation • Improvise new musical ideas over chord sequences or over a groove within a chosen key or keys.51 • Experiment with the									
Instrumental Performance	Expand the rhythmic scope of r part.	Expand the rhythmic scope of melodies on keyboard instruments, following staff notation written on one stave or two staves. • Use notes within a range that includes a change of hand position and an optional lefthand									
Year 8 SOW	West African Djembe Drumming	Variations	Folk Music of the British Isles	History of Music	Pop Song Performance	Pop Song Composition					

**Ensemble PERFORMANCE of** an African inspired drumming COMPOSITION. APPRAISING. West African nstrumentation, Develop understanding of musical elements. Identify their use in Singing traditional West African song chordal harmony **Prior Knowledge** Performance: (crotchets, quavers, semibreves and rests). Read the notes of the treble clef within the stave – FACE/EGBDF acronyms. part harmony

PERFORMANCE of a theme using keyboards. COMPOSITION of variations

APPRAISING Theme and Variation. Develop understanding of musica elements. Identify their use in

Arrangement of a pop song usin equencing software. Midi inpu and sequencing

PERFORMANCE of a traditional Celtic folk piece of music.

APPRAISING traditional pieces including time signatures and instrumentation. Develop understanding of musical elements. Identify their use in music.

PERFORMANCE Keyboard skill development performance of a well-known classical piece of music.

APPRAISING: Research project to include development of instruments and composers in the Baroque, Classical, Romantic Era's. Develop understanding of musical elements. Identify their use in music.

Ensemble PERFORMANCE. Development of instrumental and performance skills through a performance of a pop song. Development from Y7: Extended/larger palette of Chords & Harmony, 4+ Chords in G major/E <mark>minor</mark>

APPRAISING Understanding nstrumentation, structure, lyrics and context. Develop understanding of musical elements. Identify their use in music.

Singing pop song chorus chordal harmony

Paired COMPOSING Pop songs. Chords, Harmony, Structure/Form, Texture, Melody, Instrumentation Development from Y7: Extended/larger palette of Chords & Harmony, 4+ Chords in G maior/E minor Pentatonic Riff and root note bass with

passing notes.

Midi input and sequencing Using microphones, it capture audio of melody lines and or rapping

LISTENING/APPRAISING **Understanding** instrumentation, structure, lyrics and context of pop songs. Develop understanding of musical elements. Identify their use in music.

Read basic rhythmic notation semiquavers, triplets, minims, Sing in a 4-part round and in 2-

#### Appraising:

Identify elements of music -Dynamics, Tempo, Metre, Melody (pentatonic, major and minor) Instrumentation, Structure, Texture (monophonic, rounds. Describe elements of music above through listening tasks (instrumental and song) Identification of note lengths and pitch

#### Composition:

Rhythm and rhythmic notation. Structures: Storyboard, ABA, Verse/Chorus

### Performance:

Basic 4 chord pieces of music using the midi keyboards, correct hand techniques for ukulele, guitar, bass and piano.

Improvise/vary/compose a melody based off a pentatonic or scalic idea Read basic rhythmic notation (crotchets, quavers, semiquavers, triplets, minims, semibreves and rests).

Read the notes of the treble clef within the stave – FACE/EGBDF acronyms.

### Appraising:

Identify elements of music -Dynamics, Tempo, Instrumentation, Structure, Texture. Describe elements of music above

through listening tasks (instrumental and song) Identification of note lengths and pitch

#### Production

Sequencing using midi keyboards with correct hand techniques using 4-chord patterns and root note

#### Performance:

Basic 4 chord pieces of music using the correct hand techniques for ukulele, guitar, bass and piano. Play a melody/counter melody on an instrument using the correct techniques. (Hand placement, tonguing, slurring, finger picking etc.

Read basic rhythmic notation (crotchets, quavers, semiquavers, triplets, minims, semibreves and rests). Read the notes of the treble clef within the stave - FACE/EGBDF acronyms.

Ensemble performance skills. Being able to learn an individual part and work collaboratively to get all textures together in time.

# Appraising:

Identify elements of music – Dynamics, Tempo, Metre (¾ Danse Macabre and Amazing grace, 4/4 Pop songs), Melody (pentatonic, major and minor) Instrumentation, Structure, Texture. Describe elements of music above through listening tasks (instrumental and song)

### Performance:

Basic 4 chord pieces of music using the correct hand techniques for ukulele, guitar, bass and piano. Performing chords with different strumming patterns for verse and chorus.

Read basic rhythmic notation (crotchets, quavers, semiguavers, triplets, minims, semibreves and rests).

Read the notes of the treble clef within the stave – FACE/EGBDF acronyms.

Ensemble performance skills. Being able to learn an individual part and work collaboratively to get all textures together in time.

# Performance/ Composition :

Basic 4 chord pieces of music using the correct hand techniques for ukulele, guitar, bass and piano. Performance techniques of chords – broken chords, rhythms, Alberti bass Improvise/compose a melody based off a pentatonic or scalic idea.

## Composition:

Rhythm and rhythmic notation. Melody using pentatonic, major and minor scale Creating an ostinato based on a pentatonic/major/minor scale Structures: Storyboard, ABA, Verse/Chorus

Using Software Instruments Panning Sequencing using midi keyboards with correct hand techniques using 4-chord patterns Using quantisation Using dynamic automation

		bass. Using software instruments Using quantisation Using dynamic automation Optional recording lyrics using microphones Critical analysis of own work to spot areas to improve	Identification of note lengths and pitch			Recording lyrics using microphones (opt) Critical analysis of own work to spot areas to improve
Metacognition & Self-	Modelling different drum	Modelling of ideas, based upon	Modelling individual parts as well	Online database (focus on sound)	Modelling individual parts as well as	Modelling of ideas, based upon
regulation	strokes and correct instrument hold.  Decision making – self-regulated group rehearsal time to recreate an African drumming piece of music.  Time given to develop piece. Ideas based upon keyworks.	prior knowledge of sequencing software and more in-depth skills needed to develop.  Decision making – in choosing and organising their music in line with the elements of music	as rehearsal practice skills.  Scaffolded musical parts created, with opportunities to develop the musical line.  Decision making – self-regulated group rehearsal time to recreate a Celtic piece of music	specifically designed for music knowledge. (Individual logons) Used for homework  Decision making – picking out the most relevant knowledge for presentations and listening questions based upon keyword	rehearsal practice skills. Scaffolded musical parts created, with opportunities to develop the musical line.  Decision making – self-regulated group rehearsal time to recreate a pop piece of music.	prior knowledge of sequencing software and more in-depth skills needed to develop.  Decision making – in choosing and organising their music in line with the elements of music
Developing Literacy	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform traditional instruments  KEY WORDS:  Repetition, Cyclic rhythms, Ostinato, Riff, Syncopation, Master Drummer, Polyrhythm, Cross Rhythm, Accent, Polyphonic, Call and Response, Accelerando, Ritardando / Rallentando, Tempo, Chorus, Refrain, Djembe, Talking Drum, , Balaphone, Mebraphone, Kora  Vocals: Choral Singing , Unison, Octaves, Parallel 5ths, Vocal Register, Vocables, Falsetto	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  Lyric writing – thinking about phrase length, syllables and rhyming skills.  KEY WORDS NEW TO SOW:  AUGMENTATION DIMINUTION, INVERSION, INTERVAL, RETROGRADE, RETROGRADE INVERSION  KEY WORDS REVISITED  MELODY, TUNE or THEME, PITCH, TEMPO, DYNAMICS, TEXTURE COUNTER-MELODY, DESCANT TIMBRE AND SONORITY ARTICULATION LEGATO STACCATO PEDAL /PEDAL NOTE or PEDAL POINT and often the TONIC PEDAL, DOMINANT, DRONE, MELODIC DECORATION trills, turns, mordents or passing notes. OSTINATO,	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  KEY WORDS:  History and Types of Folk Music: Folk Song, Work Song, Sea Shanty, Instrumental; Oral Tradition; Folk Song Accompaniments: Pedal, Drone, Ostinato, Chords (on piano, keyboard, guitar or ukulele) as Accompaniment: Triad, Broken Chord, Arpeggio, Alberti Bass; Harmony: Intervals, 5ths; Arrangement, Lead Sheet; Basic Folk Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Chorus/Refrain, Verse; Folk Song Textures: Melody, Chords, Bass Line; Instruments of Folk.	Appraising Research task – presentation on prominent composers from a specific era  Correct use of keywords in presentations, grammar and spellings (use of focus on sound to inform key elements).  KEY WORDS:  Baroque, Ornament, Polyphonic Contrapuntal, Church. Sacred, Secular, Chamber Music, Suite, Viol, Lute, Valveless trumpet, Harpsichord, Organ, Major Minor, Terraced Dynamics, Imitation, Sequence, Fugue, Homophonic, Solo concerto, sonata, Binary Form, SATB  Classical, Elegance and Balance, Question and Answer phrases, Imitation, Rising and falling sequence, Homophonic block chordal, diatonic harmony, modulation, Chromatic harmony. Cadences, Tonic and Dominant Pedels, Piano, Dynamics, Cresc. Dim. Articulations, Symphony, Sonata	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  Lyric writing – thinking about phrase length, syllables and rhyming skills.  KEY WORDS: Popular Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Verse(s), Strophic, Link, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Bridge/Middle 8, Coda (outro); Lyrics, Hook, Riff, Melody, Countermelody, Texture, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line, Lead Sheet, Arrangement, Cover Version, Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct, Range; Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs. Semibreves, Minims, Crotchets, Quavers, Semiquavers, Dotted Crotchets/quavers, Dotted quavers/semiquavers, Treble clef Middle C to F, Bass clef G to Middle C, ¾ and 4/4, C Major/A Minor, f and p, crescendo and decrescendo, mp and mf, one ledger line, staccato and legato, G major/E minor, 6/8 Slurs	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  KEY WORDS: Popular Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Verse(s), Strophic, Link, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Bridge/Middle 8, Coda (outro); Lyrics, Hook, Riff, Melody, Countermelody, Texture, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line, Lead Sheet, Arrangement, Cover Version, Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct, Range; Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs.  Semibreves, Minims, Crotchets, Quavers, Semiquavers, Dotted Crotchets/quavers, Dotted quavers/semiquavers, Treble clef Middle C to F, Bass clef G to Middle C, ¾ and 4/4, C Major/A Minor, f and p, crescendo and decrescendo, mp and mf, one ledger line, staccato and legato, G major/E minor, 6/8 Slurs

				Romantic Period, THEMES LEITMOTIFS EXTRAVAGANT DYNAMICS CHROMATICISM DISSONANCE RICHER HARMONIES – NATIONAL INFLUENCES TIMBRE & SONORITY Harps, Tuba, Piccolo, Bass Clarinet, Cor Anglais and Double Bassoon PROGRAMME MUSIC: PROGRAMME SYMPHONY, CONCERT OVERTURE, SYMPHONIC/TONE POEM, INCIDENTAL MUSIC, OPERAS, ORATORIOS, REQUIEMS, LIEDER, CONCERTOS		
Culture Capital	Traditional West African Spirituals West African Djembe Drumming Gumboot dancing (South Africa)	Mozart – Twinkle Twinkle Mahler – Frere Jacques Shubert – Trout Quintet	Various Celtic traditional folk songs including Fairy Dance, Dargason, Danny Boy. Mumford and Sons Ed Sheeran - Galway Girl Sea Shanty Drunken Sailor Wellerman Spongebob Squarepants Titanic	"The Four Seasons" (Violin Concertos) by Vivaldi "Messiah" – (an Oratorio) by Handel "Mass in B minor" (a sacred vocal work) by J. S. Bach "Raindrop Prelude" (solo piano piece) by Chopin "Hebrides Overture" (Concert Overture) by Mendelssohn "New World Symphony" (Orchestral work) by Dvorák	Taylor Swift – We Are Never Getting Back Together Bon Jovi – Living On A Prayer The Weeknd – Blinding Lights Ed Sheeran – Galway Girl	Pop Songs LOOK AT MMC
Disciplinary	Development of ensemble Music performance based on grid rhythm and improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of performing and composing music based on written notation and improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of ensemble Music performance based on chordal harmony and melody  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of solo Music performance based on written notation.  Development of personal performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of ensemble Music performance based on chordal harmony, melody and rhythm notation, lead sheet and improvisation.  Development of personal and ensemble performance skills  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of composing music based on improvisation.  Development of personal performance skills through speaking, rapping and singing.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.
Substantive	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words	Development of music theory/musical elements  Understanding of key words	Development of music theory/musical elements Understanding of key words
	Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Understanding of historical/cultural reference	Understanding of historical/cultural reference

Each year 9	SOW will be taught over th	e space of half a term. Some	 extension may be required d	  ue to missed lessons/timetal	bling etc The order the SOW as	 s taught will vary for eacl		
class to ens	ure all students have access	to various resource, instrum	ents, and environments.					
MMC			Year	9 SOW				
Singing	Sing homophonic and/or polyph	nonic harmony in three parts						
Listening	Using music from the list of suggethink about the impact this has		en by each school, Year 9 pupils should	d listen to a wide range of music and id	dentify how the elements specified on pag	ge 39 are used while starting to		
Composing	form. • Write simple bass lines of lines, shaped by lyrics and/or had extra-musical stimuli. • Use per improvisation, bearing in mind per melodies using the root notes from	'Song' Writing (with or without lyrics) • Compose chord sequences on the keyboard or guitar in C, G or F major, A, E or D minor. • Compose contrasting chord sequences to create pieces in either ternary or verse/chorus form. • Write simple bass lines using the root note of each chord. Give these bass lines rhythm and use passing notes to enhance them. • Create rhythmic accompaniment to support chord sequences. • Compose melodic lines, shaped by lyrics and/or harmonic intention. Programme Music • Compose chord sequences on the keyboard or guitar in C, G, or F major, A, E or D minor. • Compose contrasting harmonic sequences that respond to extra-musical stimuli. • Use percussion and percussive sounds. • Explore melodic line, use of contrast and structural ideas, e.g. ABACA. Melody and Accompaniment • Compose melodies using vocal or instrumental improvisation, bearing in mind phrase structure. 10 The original melody is pre 1940 and Wallen's 2020 reimagining for BBC Proms provides fertile ground for discussion of compositional approaches. 54 • Harmonise melodies using the root notes from primary chords and appropriate cadences. • Embellish the accompaniment with passing notes. Improvise • Improvise melodies and riffs over chord sequences with a strong awareness of key. • Improvise a melody on the voice or an instrument to fit with the chord sequences created. • Take the listener on an original musical journey.						
Instrumental	· · ·		<u> </u>	•	ote or chordal accompaniment to the mel	ody; alternatively play a piece		
Performance	based on chords (e.g. an arrange	ement of the start of the Moonlight Sc	nata).					
Year 9 SOW	Soundtracks	Musicals	Video Game Music	Blues and Jazz	Sampling and Fusion	Ensemble Performance		
	PERFORMING James Bond leitmotif, sequence using computer software.  APPRAISING film music leitmotifs and orchestration. Identifying features of film genre's through music analysis (DRSMITH)  COMPOSING a character leitmotif.  PRODUCTION techniques used in sequencing software: hitpoint sound effects, panning, automation, quantising.	Ensemble PERFORMANCE of a musical song.  APPRAISING musical styles and songs from different kinds of musicals.  Singing musicals in 3 parts	PERFORMING popular video game music melodies eg Mario  COMPOSITION of character themes or character motifs  APPRAISING examples of game music throughout history.  Understanding how music is used within a game eg cues, suspense and what musical features are used to create these effects  PRODUCTION techniques used in sequencing software: cells, automation, quantising.	PERFORMANCE of a blues piece, based upon the 12-bar blues, walking bass including developing improvisation techniques.  APPRAISING blues music throughout its history. Its origins, how it was developed and understand how blues and jazz has influenced popular music including fusion.  Writing lyrics and singing the blues	COMPOSING sampling. Using techniques learnt from exploring different methods and how they are integrated into other songs.  APPRAISING looking into music from around the world. Picking out stereotypical features of the style to create a music fusion composition. Afrobeat, North Indian Classical Music, Bhangra, Tango, Celtic  PRODUCTION techniques used in sequencing software: sampling, automation, quantising.	Group PERFORMANCE and rehearsal of a piece of music in a style best suited to the individual.  Singing pop song chorus in 3 parts		
Prior knowledge	Composition: Performance and composition keyboard and instrumental skills (various Y7/Y8 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded recourses.  Improvisation of rhythms to create a polyrhythm.	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various YR 7/8 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded resource.  Appraising: listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority, Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).  Singing: Sang in chordal harmony	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills Film Music  Composition: Performance and composition keyboard and instrumental skills (various Y7/Y8 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded recourses.  Production: Sequencing software skills development. Film music Y9 (Following Y7/Y8/Y9 SOW).	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various Y7/Y8/Y9 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded resource. Build on Improvisation stylistic development. Refining earlier attempts to improvise.  Appraising: listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority,	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various Y7/Y8/Y9 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded resource.  Appraising: listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority, Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).  Composition: Performance and composition keyboard and	Performance: Keyboard/Instrumental Skills (Various Y7/Y8/Y9 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded resource.  Appraising: listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority, Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).		

	Production: Sequencing software skills development. (Following Yr 7 & 8 SOW). Use of sound effects.  Appraising: listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority, Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).  IMPORT VIDEO AND AUDIO		Appraising: Leitmotif Film music, listening to compositions for analysis based around key terminology: Dynamics, Rhythm, Structure, Sonority, Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).  IMPORT VIDEO AND AUDIO	Instrumentation, Tempo, Texture, Harmony and Tonality (DRSMITH).  Singing: Sang in chordal harmony	instrumental skills (various Y7/Y8Y9 SOW). Flexible differentiated and scaffolded recourses. Developing compositional ideas through the concept of fusions and sampling.  Production: Sampling Year 9 Game Music	Singing: Move to homophonic/polyphonic 3 part harmony
Metacognition & Self-Regulation	Modelling of ideas based upon prior knowledge of sequencing software and more in-depth skills needed to develop.  Decision making in choosing and organising their music in line with the elements of music.	Modelling for individual parts as well as rehearsal practice skills. Scaffolded musical parts created, with opportunities to develop the musical line.  Decision making self-regulated group rehearsal time to recreate a pop piece of music.  Self/peer evaluation based upon basic performance skills.	Modelling of ideas based upon prior knowledge of sequencing software and more in-depth skills needed to develop.  Decision making – in choosing and organising their music in line with the elements of music.	Development of performance skills with new improvisation styles linking with blues and jazz history.  Specific videos of famous performers of these styles as well as using focus on sound database to research key elements of the improvisational style.  Self/peer evaluation based upon basic performance skills as well as the new improvising and solo skills and 12 bar blues.	Modelling of ideas based upon prior knowledge of sequencing software and more in-depth skills needed to develop.  Resources created with step-by-step guides on how to sample with pictures to demonstrate each instruction.  Decision making – in choosing and organising their music in line with the elements of music as well as picking the best samples to create the fusion.	Modelling individual parts as well as rehearsal practice skills. Scaffolded musical parts created, with opportunities to develop the musical line.  Decision making – self-regulated group rehearsal time to recreate a pop piece of music.  Self/peer evaluation based upon basic performance skills.
Developing Literacy	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  Scaffolded Homework in a GCSE style essay.  KEY WORDS: Leitmotif, Soundtrack, Theme Song, Mickey-Mousing, Concord/Discord, (Chromatic) Sequencing, Storyboard, 'Borrowed' Music, Music-Spotting, Interval of a 5th, Click Tracks/Timing, Theme, Sound Effects, Motif, Timbre/Sonority, Musical	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary.  Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  Scaffolded Homework in a GCSE style essay.  KEY WORDS:	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  KEY WORDS: Chromatic Scale, Staccato, Jumping, Leaping, Disjunct, Syncopation, Sound Effect, Chip Tune, 8-Bit Music, Sampling, Synthesiser, Motif, Ground Theme, DRSMITH	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary.  Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  Scaffolded Homework in a GCSE style essay.  KEY WORDS: 12-Bar Blues, Blues Chord Sequence, Blues Song Structure (AAB) Blues Scale, Blues Song Lyrics; Chords and Seventh Chords I, I7, IV, IV7, V & V7; Chord Vamps; Improvisation; Swing/Swung Rhythms; Ostinato, Riffs, Fills and Solos;	Peer assessment – students written, and verbal feedback based upon other's group compositions, making sure to include specific vocabulary.  Lyric writing – thinking about phrase length, syllables and rhyming skills. Theme/genre relevance to lyrics  KEY WORDS:  Afrobeat: Highlife, Fela Kuti, American Soul, Funk and Jazz, Head, Syncopation, Riffs, Fusion, Scat, Improvised, Solo, Extended Chords, 7th Chords, Melodic Call, Chordal Response	Peer assessment – students writing feedback based upon other's group performances, making sure to include specific musical vocabulary. Homework to use of focus on sound to inform key elements.  KEY WORDS: Popular Song Structure: Introduction (intro), Verse(s), Strophic, Link, Pre- Chorus, Chorus, Bridge/Middle 8, Coda (outro); Lyrics, Hook, Riff, Melody, Countermelody, Texture, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line, Lead Sheet, Arrangement, Cover Version, Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct,

	Clichés, Diegetic and Non- Diegetic Film Music.					Range; Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs.
Culture Capital	James Bond Joker John Williams Hans Zimmer Other film music scores TBC LOOK AT MMC	Wicked Little Shop of Horrors Chicago Oliver Matilda Mamma Mia Grease	Koji KondoSuper Mario Bros. (1985)The Legend of Zelda (1986)  Michael Giacchino The Lost World:Jurassic Park (1997)Medal of Honour (1999)Call of Duty (2003)  MiekoIshikawa Dragon Slayer (1993)  Martin O'Donnell and Michael SalvatoriHalo (2002)  Daniel Rosenfield Minecraft(2011)  Rom Di Prisco Fortnite(2017)	Louis Armstrong Bessie Davis Neil Hefti Alan Lomax Chanticleer Ella Fitgerald Sister Rosetta Tharpe	Fela Kuti: Water Get No Enemy Bellowhead: Roll the WoodPipe Down Lil Nas X: Old Town Road Nine Inch Nails: 34 Ghost IV Stevie Wonder: Superstition Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell: Ain't No Mountain High Enough Ella Fitz Gerald: One Note Samba Skatman John: (Ski-ba-bop-ba-dop-bop Newen Afrobeat feat. Seun Kuti & Cheick Tidiane Seck: Opposite People	Spice Girls – Wannabe  Back Street Boys – I Want It That Way  Wham – Wake Me Up Before You Go Go  Wheatus – Teenage DirtBag  Queen – Don't Stop Me Now
Disciplinary	Development of performing and composing music based on written notation and improvisation.  Development of personal solo performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of ensemble Music performance based on chordal harmony, melody and rhythm notation, lead sheet and improvisation.  Development of personal and ensemble performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of performing and composing music based on written notation and improvisation.  Development of personal solo performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning).  When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.	Development of ensemble Music performance based on chordal harmony, melody and rhythm notation, lead sheet and improvisation.  Development of personal and ensemble performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of composing and producing music based on improvisation and sampling.  Development of personal solo performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/Context/Personal reaction.	Development of ensemble Music performance based on chordal harmony, melody and rhythm notation, lead sheet and improvisation.  Development of personal and ensemble performance skills.  Analysing performance work with a focus on the technical (musical elements/DR SMITH) and the expressive (subjective and objective meaning). When/Where/Why/ Context/Personal reaction.
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- KS3 classes are mixed ability groups
- Students have an hour a week in Yr7,8 and 9 we teach the at least the National Curriculum, with guidance from the MMC. There are 6 SOW each year.
- SOW are taught in a different order by different teachers to facilitate the sharing of resources and materials.
- FSM students have the opportunity to learn an instrument for free.
- Homework is set once a half term for years 7 and 8.