

Year 8 Curriculum Map

Music

	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	Spring Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
Unit of Learning	Hooks and riffs	Alice in Wonderland	Film music	Minimalism and Dance music	Song writing	Ipsley Live Lounge
Unit Focus	Developing listening skills, recognising hooks and riffs in popular music	Using composition and arranging skills on a theme from "Alice in Wonderland"	Exploring the historical context of music for film, analysing film clips and appropriate musical writing	Developing links between minimalism and dance music, using composition and performance	Exploring song writing, lyrics, and chords	Researching and organising a performance at a local venue
Key Knowledge	Listening skills, using accurate musical vocabulary to describe popular music examples	Linking character traits to musical elements Arranging themes to suit characters Justifying answers	Watching film clips through the decades, recognising key differences and the use of musicality	Ensemble skills: minimalist performances Writing musical notation Keyboard skills	Song of the week: Using appraisal skills and vocabulary learnt throughout the year	Research skills Careers links Performance skills and rehearsing effectively
SMSC	Patterns used to represent feelings, creativity from different artists	Exploring skill and representing moods and emotions through music	Personal response to different styles of film music, the artistic expression of composers	Creativity through minimalism, finding beauty in simplicity	Exploring deep feelings and the skill of creation, expressing mood through writing	Exploring deep feelings and the skill of creation, artistic creativity and freedom
Experiences/CEIAG	Watching relevant performances	Model composers	Watching concert hall performances	Watching relevant performances	Exploring the thought process of a composer	Career links and regional/local venues exploration
How you can help your child at home	Listen to top 10 music – identify riffs in current examples. Hooks we recognise	BBC Bitesize – KS3 Composing music	BBC Bitesize- film and TV music	Listening to Steve Reich, Philip Glass. Research La Monte Young	BBC Bitesize – Writing lyrics	Careers and event planning research, local venues

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