Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Samba	Keyboard Skills	The Orchestra	Egyptian Music	Programme Music	Ukulele
Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Baseline Assessment	Two practical assessments of solo	Two practical assessments of ensemble	Two practical assessments of group	Internal Assessment – written listening paper	Two practical assessments of ensemble
Two practical assessments of group composition work	performance work	performance work	composition work	Two practical assessments of group composition work	performance work

Skills developed through the year:

- Composition skills developing and extending melodic and rhythmic ideas.
- Identifying the Elements of Music and being able to apply this to performance and composition work.
- Learning basic music theory: note names and rhythms.
- Learning to play the keyboard and ukulele using correct technique.
- Understanding the key skills needed to perform as an ensemble.

Extra-Curricular Opportunities:

- Winter Concert
- School production
- Vocal group
- Keyboard club
- Ukulele club
- Samba club

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Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Ground Bass	Djembe drumming	Pop Music	Electronic Music	Soundscapes	Computer Game Music
Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Two practical assessments of solo performance work	Two practical assessments of group composition work	Two practical assessments of ensemble performance work	Internal Assessment – written listening paper Two practical assessments of solo composition work	Two practical assessments of group composition work	Two practical assessments of solo or ensemble performance work

- Composition skills developing and extending melodic and rhythmic ideas, including use of more complex rhythms.
- Identifying the Elements of Music and being able to apply this to performance and composition work.
- Remembering basic music theory: note names and rhythms.
- Learning to play the keyboard hands together.
- Learning to play guitar and drum kit.
- Understanding the key skills needed to perform as an ensemble.

Extra-Curricular Opportunities:

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• 1 ensemble performance

Component 2: Composing (practical)

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• 1 free composition

• 1 composition to a brief set by Pearson Edexcel

Component 3: Appraising (written)

- 40% of final grade- 1 hour 45 minutes
- Six listening questions based on the set works
- One dictation question
- One unfamiliar listening question
- One essay comparing a set work with an unfamiliar piece of music

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Elements of Music	Pop Music	Theory	Area of Study 4 - 'Release' by Afro Celt Soundsystem	Area of Study 4 - 'Samba em Prelúdio' by Esperanza Spalding	Area of Study 3 – 'Main Title Theme/Rebel Blockade Runner' from Star Wars by John Williams
	Musicals				

Pop Song composition	Theme and Variations composition	Blues composition	Pop Song composition	Theme and Variations composition	Blues composition
Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Elements of Music test	Ensemble performance in	Theory test	Ongoing fee <mark>dbac</mark> k on	Internal Assessment –	Area of Study 4 test
	preparation for the		composition progress	written listening paper	
Ongoing feedback on	Winter Concert	Ongoing feedback on	/ //		Ongoing feedback on
composition progress		composition progress		Ongoing feedback on	composition progress.
	Ongoing feedback on			composition progress	
	composition progress				

- Understanding the Elements of Music from a GCSE perspective.
- Developing understanding of theory from key stage three.
- Understanding the requirements for the performing element of the GCSE course.
- Understanding the requirements of the composition element of the GCSE course.
- Analysing set works.
- Using Cubase and Noteflight to compose.

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Area of Study 3 – 'Defying Gravity' from <i>Wicked</i> by Stephen Schwartz	Area of Study 2 – 'Killer Queen' by Queen	Area of Study 2 – 'Music for a While' by Henry Purcell	Dictation and Unfamiliar listening	Area of Study 1 – '3 rd movement from Brandenburg Concerto no. 5 in D major' by J. S. Bach	Area of Study 1 – '1st movement from Piano Sonata no. 8 in C minor' by L van Beethoven
Theme and Variations composition	Blues composition	Free composition	Theme and Variations composition	Blues composition	Free composition

Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Area of Study 3 test	Internal assessment:	Area of Study 2 test	Dictation and Unfamiliar	Internal Assessment –	Area of Study 1 test
	Component 3 paper		listening test	Component 3 paper	
Ongoing feedback on		Ongoing fe <mark>edback on</mark>		.	Ongoing feedback on
composition progress	Ongoing feedback on	composition progress	Ongoing feedback on	Internal assessment –	composition progress.
	composition progress		composition progress	Solo performance	
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				composition progress	

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Free composition	Free composition				
Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Area of Study 3 test	Internal assessment: Component 3 paper	Area of Study 1 test	Internal assessment: Component 3 paper	In-class assessments of past paper questions	Component 3: Appraising examination

Ongoing feedback on composition progress	Recording of solo performance	In-class assessments of past paper questions
	Ongoing feedback on composition progress	

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