Year 7

Subject: Music

Overview of the year:

Performing: There is a large focus on practical instrumental skills in music Students will rehearse songs chosen by their teacher as part of a group. They will perform on either: Keyboard, Voice, Ukulele, Percussion, or an instrument that they study outside of school. Students will perform the finished song, as a group, to the rest of the class.

Rehearsal and performance will run continuously throughout the year. Singing will be a regular feature in classwork.

Listening: Our listening lessons cover music from many ages and styles. The keywords from the elements of music will be explored and used to analyse music. There will also be an introduction to music theory and notation. Homework will be fortnightly and support classwork and teach musical notation.

Ways to consolidate and extend your learning in Music:

- Listen to a wide range of music at home. Talk about the music, your opinions of it and how it makes you feel.
- The best way of improving in music at home is to practice. Where
 possible, instrumental practice should be focussed and regular. If you are
 having peripatetic lessons, your teacher will talk to you about practice
 technique.

Half term	Objectives/ enquiry questions in Music Listening Lessons.	Content	Skills	Assessment
I	What are the elements of music?	Pitch, Dynamics, Timbre, Texture, Duration, Tempo The Carnival of the Animals.	Listening to music and identifying differences and features. Playing a keyboard.	Analysis of music using EoM. Understanding of notes on a
2	Keyboard maps and chords. Instruments of the orchestra	Learning notes on a keyboard. Instruments of the Orchestra.	Identifying Timbre by listening.	keyboard. Written analysis of music.
	Strings, woodwind, brass, percussion	Words to describe emotion in music.	Describing how different instruments are used in different orchestral pieces and how they	Performance Lessons Rehearsals and Performances with
	Major and Minor – Feelings in music.	Differences in major and minor chords.	differ, describe using the appropriate Elements of Music.	others. C F G chords.
3	Descriptive Music and how can music convey mood and stories.	Peter and the Wolf - Telling a story through music. Pictures at an Exhibition - Connections with Music and Art	Connecting music with stories and letting music inspire to imagination. Identifying composer's ideas and intentions in music and describing using EoM.	Using EoM to describe Performance Lessons Rehearsals and Performances with others. Am chord. Bass riff.
4	Orchestral families and instruments	Benjamin Britten's Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra. Musical Bingo	Identifying the instrumental families in the orchestra through listening.	Working with others. Performance assessments

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			Listening to individual instruments in an	
			orchestra.	
5	How a piece of music is constructed.	Ravel's Bolero. What changes and what does not change. Ostinato,	Listening and identifying instruments playing each section.	Analysis of music.
		texture, dynamics, structure.		Performance assessments
6	My favourite piece of music	Class film making about favourite classical music studied this year.	Research, writing and presentation to camera.	Quality of presentation and content of speech to camera.
			Film editing.	

Year 8

Subject: Music

Overview of the year:

Performing: There is a large focus on practical instrumental skills in music Students will rehearse songs chosen by their teacher as part of a group. They will perform on either: Keyboard, Voice, Ukulele, Percussion, or an instrument that they study outside of school. Students will perform the finished song, as a group, to the rest of the class. Rehearsal and performance will run continuously throughout the year.

Listening: Our listening lessons cover music from many ages and styles. Keywords from the elements of music will be explored and used to analyse music that is heard.

Homework will be fortnightly and will contribute to a larger scale project in Autumn term.

Ways to consolidate and extend your learning in Music:

- Listen to a wide range of music at home. Talk about the music, your opinions of it and how it makes you feel.
- The best way of improving in music at home is to practice. Where possible, instrumental practice should be focussed and regular. If you are having peripatetic lessons, your teacher will talk to you about practice technique.
- Listen to your child's performances and help them with homework.

Half term	Objectives/ enquiry questions	Content	Skills	Assessment
I	Listen and Analyse Music Dynamics pp – ff Duration semi breve to semi quaver	Explore in detail: Pitch, Dynamics, Timbre, Texture, Duration, Tempo	Listen critically to music, use keywords to describe what is heard, identifying differences and features. Rhythm, Bass, Harmony, Melody.	Rehearsals and Performances with others. Homework project.
2	Structures in Music: Medieval Music, The Blues , Rock & Roll.	Intro, Verse, Chorus, Middle 8, Solo, Outro. History of Music and characteristics.	Listen critically to music, use keywords to describe what is heard, identifying differences and features. Group rehearsals and performance.	Performance assessments. Homework project.
3	How can music convey drama?	The planets Program music Chord choices	Identify what in descriptive music creates the scene or description.	Rehearsals and Performances with others. Homework Theory booklet.
4	How does music enhance films?	Film theme tunes and how they relate to film genre. John Williams. Horror. Leitmotif.	Listen critically to descriptive music, use keywords to describe what is heard, identifying differences and features. Group rehearsals and performance.	Performance assessments. Homework Theory booklet.
5	How do we change mood in music?	Identifying major, minor keys, diminished keys.	Reading and writing music. Group rehearsals and performance.	Rehearsals and Performances with others. Homework project.
6	What makes a style of Music?	Listening to different styles of music.	Characteristics and historic knowledge of Music.	Performance assessments.

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Learning about the history of different styles of music and characteristics.	Group rehearsals and performance.	Homework project.
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Year 9

Subject: Music

Overview of the year:

There is a large focus on practical work in music.

Performing: Students will rehearse music in groups to perform to their classes. Rehearsal and performance will run continuously throughout the year.

Composing: In composition lessons we create music with features of styles studied. We continue to use music technology and take the students' imac Logic Pro skills to a more advanced stage.

Listening: In our listening lessons we study the history and features of a range of musical styles. Listening to Music and analysing it using Music keywords forms a central part of the lessons.

There will be further exploration of music theory and notation.

Homework will be fortnightly and will contribute to larger scale projects

Ways to consolidate and extend your learning in Music:

- Listen to a wide range of music at home. Talk about the music, your opinions of it and how it makes you feel.
- The best way of improving in music at home is to practice. Where possible, instrumental practice should be focussed and regular. If you are having peripatetic lessons, your teacher will talk to you about practice technique.
- Listen to your child's performances and help them with homework.

Half	Objectives/ enquiry questions	Content	Skills	Assessment
term				
I	Recap - Keywords in music	Elements of Music	Performing and practice skills.	12 bar blues composition.
	Listen and analyse	12 bar blues.7th chords.	Analysing using Keywords	Homework project.
	The structure of the Blues.	Blues scales. Swung rhythms.	Creating Music in Logic Pro.	Performance assessments
2	What is Miminalism?	Steve Reich, Philip Glass, Terry Riley	Composing short motifs. Ostinato patterns.	Minimalist composition.
		West African rhythms, Indonesian	Octaves. Polyrhythms.	Homework project.
		Gamelan, Indian Classical music.	Performing and practice skills	Performance assessments
3	Scales in descriptive music.	Major, minor, whole tone.	Composing to a descriptive brief using keyboard	Descriptive Music
		How to perform on the keyboard.	skills.	Compositions and evaluations.
		Which chords to use and when.	The use of more advanced harmony.	Homework projects
			Performing and practice skills	Performance assessments
4	Creating atmosphere in film music.	The advanced use of musical	Analysing using Keywords	Composition of music for film
		elements to convey film atmosphere,	Using augmented and diminished chords	clips.
		character and storyline.	Use of Sound Effects and Samples.	Homework projects
			Performing and practice skills	Performance assessments
5	The birth of Disco music.	The development of music	Creating a Disco drum beat in Logic Pro 9.	Disco composition.
		technology from 1950 – 1970s. 4 to	Performing and practice skills	Homework projects
		the floor drum beat, hand claps,		Performance assessments
		syncopated bass line.		

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6	Dance Music styles since disco.	House, Techno, Drum and Bass and	Sampling using existing dance track.	Dance track composition.
		offshoots.	Performing and practice skills	Performance assessments
		Structure of dance music.		