



## Music

### Why Choose GCSE Music?

Are you passionate about music? Do you enjoy performing, creating, or listening to different styles of music? GCSE Music offers an exciting opportunity to develop your musical talents while gaining a respected qualification that opens doors to future opportunities.

### What will you learn?

#### Performance (30% of your grade)

- Develop your skills on your chosen instrument or voice.
- Learn to perform with confidence, both as a soloist and in ensembles.
- Record and refine your performances.
- Receive expert guidance to improve your technique and expression.

#### Composition (30% of your grade)

- Create your own original music in styles that interest you.
- Learn to use music technology and composition software.
- Understand how to write for different instruments and voices.
- Develop your unique musical voice and creative ideas.

#### Listening and Appraising (40% of your grade)

- Explore music from 4 areas of study: Classical, Jazz & Musical Theatre, Film Music and Pop.
- Analyse two set works and understand their musical features.
- Learn about different musical traditions from around the world.
- Develop critical listening skills that last a lifetime.

### How will I be assessed?

The course is run by the EDUQAS exam board.

- There will be two performances marked internally.
- There will be two compositions marked internally.
- There will be one written paper in which students respond to questions based around the two set works and 4 areas of study. This paper is marked externally (worth 40%)

### What knowledge and/or skills do I need?

- Enthusiasm for music and willingness to learn.
- Intermediate ability on an instrument or voice (Grade 3 standard recommended but not essential).
- Commitment to regular practice and participation in school music activities.
- Open-mindedness to explore different musical styles.

### Why Music Matters

- Career opportunities (performer, composer, producer, sound engineer, teacher).
- Valuable life skills (creativity, self-expression, confidence, self-discipline, team working).
- Academic benefits (enhances memory & cognitive development, complements other subjects through transferable skills, supports emotional well-being & stress management).

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