Curriculum Overview – MUSIC



Key Stage 3

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Rhythm and Pulse Keyboard skills Form and Structure Programme Music Chords and triads Musical Theatre	Blues Music Theme and Variation African Music Minimalism Dance Music Performing Arts Festival	Gospel Music Cover Versions Film Music Samba Song Writing Performing Arts Festival

There is no set textbook used at KS3 for Music

Key Stage 4 – GCSE Exam Board: Edexcel



Year 10	Year 11
Performance	Performance
Foundations of Composition	Composing to a brief
Composition: Instrumental Music	Williams, 'Star Wars'
Composition: Vocal Music	Music for Stage and Screen Wider Listening
Purcell 'Music for a While'	Afro Celt Sound System
Queen 'Killer Queen'	Esperanza Spalding
Vocal Music Wider Listening	Fusions Wider Listening
JS Bach 'Brandenburg Concerto no. 5 in D major'	Musical Dictation
Beethoven 'Pathetique'	Revision
Instrumental Music wider listening	
Schwartz 'Defying Gravity'	
Musical Dictation	

Textbook Used:

- Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Anthology of Music, ed. J Winterson ISBN 9781292118383
- Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Music Student Book, John Arkell and Jonny Martin ISBN 9781292123141





Year 12	Year 13
 Performing Composing Compositional Techniques: Bach Chorales Bach, Cantata Ein feste Burg, 80: Movements 1,2 and 8 Mozart, The Magic Flute: Act 1 Nos. 4 and 5 Vivaldi, Concerto in D minor, Op 3, No.11 Clara Schumann, piano trio in G minor, Op. 17 Mvt 1 Danny Elfman, Batman Returns excerpts Rachel Portman, The Duchess excerpts Kate Bush, Hounds of Love Courtney Pine, Back in the Day Debussy, Estampes Nos 1 and 2. Familia Valera Miranda, Cana Quema selected songs Cage, Three dances for two prepared pianos No.1 Saariaho, Petals Wider listening 	 Performing Compositional Techniques: Bach Chorales Vaughan Williams, On Wenlock Edge, Nos 1,3 and 5 Berlioz, Symphonie Fantastique, mvt 1 Beatles, Revolver, Eleanor Rigby, Here, there and everywhere, I want to tell you, and Tomorrow never knows Anoushka Shankar, Breathing Under Water Stravinsky, The Rite of Spring Herrmann, Psycho Wider Listening Revision

Textbook Used:

- Edexcel AS/A Level Anthology of Music by Julia Winterson (ed.) ISBN: 978-1292118369
- Edexcel AS and A level Music Study Guide by Hugh Benham and Alistair Wightman ISBN 978-1785581694