

Music

“Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything.” – Plato

Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. Our curriculum engages and inspires pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen with discrimination to the best in the musical canon.

Aims

All pupils:

- perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians
- learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence
- understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 7	Sea Shanties	Music of Africa	Disco	Programme Music	Fanfares	Hall of Fame
Year 8	Gospel	Blues	Songwriting		Folk Music	Film Music
Year 9	Music of the Caribbean		Rock Music		Cover Songs	Music Careers