

Music KS3

Year 7

Autumn 1	Musical Elements How do I describe what I'm hearing? How is music notated and what is it telling me? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Autumn 2	Keyboard Skills How do I correctly read music on the keyboard? What does treble and bass clef tell me? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Spring 1	Folk Music What are the defining characteristics of Folk music? What is a sea shanty and why were they so popular? Maritime: Sea shanties Eco Futures: No electric instruments Careers: Discussing famous folk artists
Spring 2	Hooks and Riffs What is a hook and why is it important to popular music? What is it about your favourite songs that grab your attention Careers: Successful song writers
Summer 1	Orchestra How many instrument families are there? Can I identify the individual elements and instruments of the orchestra? Careers: Exploring instrumentals of all 4 families of musical instruments and classical composers
Summer 2	Composition Can I use a DAW to recreate music? Can I compose my own music? Careers: Exploring music producers

Year 8

Autumn 1	Journey How is music different across the world? What is a polyrhythm?
Autumn 2	Songwriting in popular music What is the typical structure of a pop song? What are the 4 chords and how are they used in popular music? Careers: Examples of successful songwriters
Spring 1	Caribbean music How can I identify the typical characteristics of Caribbean music? Can I write music using the off-beat rhythm? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Spring 2	Jazz and Blues How has Jazz and blues influenced popular music today? Can I learn to play a 12 bar blues? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Summer 1	All about the Bass Can I learn the walking bassline? What roll the bass play within a piece of music? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Summer 2	The Music Industry How do we consume music today? How much of the music we listen to is owned by a major record label? What is the future of the music industry? Eco Futures: How we consume music i.e. Physical > Digital Careers: managers, promoters, record labels

Year 9

Autumn 1	Musical Theatre What are the key elements of musical theatre? What careers opportunities are linked to musical theatre? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Autumn 2	Film Music How does music influence film? What is a leitmotif? What is diegetic and non-diegetic music? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Spring 1	Video Game Music What is role of music within video games? How does the use of instrumentation effect setting and mood? Careers: video game industry, composers.
Spring 2	1950s Rock 'n' Roll How has the development of 50s Rock 'n' Roll effected popular music today? What was teenage rebellion? Careers: Examples of successful musicians
Summer 1	DJ Skills What is a crossfade and how can I apply it to my DJ mix? How can I apply samples to my work? Careers: Examples of successful DJs
Summer 2	Britpop What was the Britpop movement? Why did bands Blur and Oasis compete with each other? Careers: Examples of successful musicians