

OPTIONAL SUBJECT

MUSIC

QUALIFICATION

BTEC LEVEL 2 FIRST AWARD IN MUSIC

EXAM BOARD

PEARSON

PERIODS PER WEEK IN YEAR 11: 2 LESSONS PER WEEK

HOME LEARNING EXPECTATION: TWICE PER WEEK INCLUDING ON-GOING REHEARSALS ON CHOSEN INSTRUMENT.

THE COURSE

If you enjoy performing music, learning to play an instrument or singing and creating your own music, then this is the course for you!

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

- You will be given weekly instrumental or voice lessons where you will develop your ability to perform to a good standard as a soloist and member of an ensemble.
- You will learn how to give performances to an audience.
- You will develop an understanding of the music industry and find out about the different job roles to which you could aspire.
- You will learn about music theory and develop these skills by composing your own music.
- You will organise an event such as a concert. This will give you the opportunity to work as part of a team.

ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed across four units; one will be an exam and the others written coursework and practical (performing) work.

- The Music Industry (1 hour written exam)
- Managing a music product (organising a concert)
- Introducing Music - Performance (how to practise and perform using your voice or a musical instrument)
- Introducing Music - Composition (creating your own music).

What you will need to access this course

You will be expected to attend a weekly instrumental/singing lesson in school and practise in between lessons. You should also attend any enrichment activities that are offered. You must have an interest in music and enjoy listening, playing and creating music.

- Problem Solving
- Creativity
- Communication
- Presentation
- Team Work
- Research
- Planning
- Critical Thinking

What careers will this subject help prepare you for?

- Professional Musician
- Conducting
- Composing
- Events Promotion
- Digital Marketing Management
- Social Media Development
- Music Therapy
- Music Journalism
- Teaching

LINK TO FURTHER STUDY AND CAREERS

You will be able to progress to Level 3 vocational Music courses. If you make exceptional progress on your instrument and with theory skills then you could also access an A' Level course. The transferrable skills you will develop are essential for a wide range of careers including teaching and the performing arts.

USEFUL RESOURCES

www.musictheory.net

www.musiced.co.uk

www.youthmusic.org.uk

www.themusicland.co.uk

www.soundjunction.co.uk