



KS3 Curriculum Overview - Music

Your child will learn about music from a range of time periods and styles, and develop their knowledge, skills and understanding of performance, composition, musical analysis and music technology during each half term.

Term	Year 9
Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keyboard performance (Pachelbel's Canon) • Music sequencing and technology (using Cubase) • Latin music (samba and salsa) • Music arranging using technology (loops and samples) • End of term written assessment
Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popular music performance • Music sequencing and technology (using MuseScore) • Music for media (film, TV and game music)
Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating music in GarageBand (using iPads)

Through the study of music your child will be expected to develop the following knowledge, skills and understanding:

Music creation and arrangement	Music technology and computer literacy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using templates and guides to create pieces of music in a range of styles. • Showing creativity and independence as these pieces become more individual. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing the skills to input musical ideas into Cubase using both the mouse and the (musical) keyboard. • Assimilating skills using music software by inputting songs into MuseScore.

Parents can support their child by encouraging them to listen to music in a range of styles, practise using free software (such as MuseScore and Garageband) and discussing having instrumental or singing lessons with them if they show an interest.