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YEAR TEN

Michaelmas	Introduction to GCSE
1	 Instrumental Music 1700–1820 set works
	Performing
Michaelmas	Instrumental Music 1700–1820 wider listening
2	Vocal Music set works
	Performing
Lent 1	Vocal Music set works
	Vocal Music wider listening
	Performing
Lent 2	Music for Stage and Screen set works
	Free composition
	Performing
Summer 1	Music for Stage and Screen set works
	Music for Stage and Screen wider listening
	Free composition
	Performing
Summer 2	Music for Stage and Screen wider listening
	Free composition
	Performing

YEAR ELEVEN

Michaelmas	Revision of Year One areas of study
1	Fusions set works
	Performing
Michaelmas	Fusions wider listening
2	Composing to a brief
	Performing
Lent 1	Composing to a brief
	Performing
Lent 2	Revision of all set works
	Complete composition to a brief
	Record Performances
Summer 1	Revision of all set works
	Practise wider listening
	Submission of Performing and Composing coursework for moderation
Summer 2	Written examination

Michaelmas 1

Introduction to the GCSE course (3 weeks):

- Build on knowledge and experience at KS3
- Consolidate basic musical vocabulary and knowledge
- Study exemplar performances and compositions
- Look at the assessment criteria for the coursework tasks.

Instrumental Music 1700–1820 set works (4 weeks):

J.S. Bach: 3rd Movement from Brandenburg Concerto no.5 in D major

L. van Beethoven: 1st Movement from Piano Sonata no.8 in C minor 'Pathétique'

- Explore these pieces by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to make critical judgements about the music. Once each piece has been studied, comparative and evaluative skills can be practised between the two.
- The set works show the link between Baroque instrumental music and dance genres. They also, and introduce fugue, and also the 19th-century Romantic sensibility in music and its application to sonata form.

Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.

Michaelmas 2

Instrumental Music 1700–1820 wider listening (5 weeks):

Explore pieces in genres related to the two set works, which may include:

- concerti by Vivaldi
- concerto grosso by Handel
- piano sonata movements by Haydn and Mozart.
- In each case relating the music to the set works studied through their use of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language.
- The works studied here give a background to the set works already studied. The concerto movements give a context for the Bach set work and the piano sonata movements should show a progression in the writing for piano and in the development of sonata form.

Vocal Music set work (2 weeks):

H. Purcell: 'Music for a While'

- Explore this piece by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to make critical judgements about the music.
- This area of study is diverse but coverage at this stage should reflect Baroque approaches to songwriting, including ground bass structures.

Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.

Lent 1	Lent 2
Vocal Music set work (2 weeks):	Free composition inspirations and task setting
Queen: 'Killer Queen' (from the album Sheer Heart Attack)	(1 week):Discuss possible routes into free composition, based on KS3
 Explore this piece by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to make critical judgements about the music. Now both pieces have been studied comparative and evaluative skills can be 	experiences, and providing examples and guidance towards inspirations.
practised between the two.	Thereafter free composition is ongoing.
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20th-century popular approaches to songwriting, including ground bass and verse and chorus structures.	Music for Stage and Screen set work (2 weeks):
Vocal Music wider listening (4 weeks):	
Explore other settings of words to music for soloist and	S. Schwartz: 'Defying Gravity' (from the album of the cast recording of <i>Wicked</i>)
accompaniment, which may include:	
	 Explore this piece by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical
arias by G.F. Handel and J.S. Bachsongs by Beach Boys and Alicia Keys	language to make critical judgements about the music.
 if time, songs by Schubert, Faure and/or Britten 	The study of this set works should examine popular contemporary
In each case looking at the relationship of the words and music, and	musical theatre styles.
the use of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language.	
 There should be coverage of the full chronological period from 1600s to 1900s, including a range of structures (strophic, through- composed, verse and chorus, da capo aria, etc.) and styles. 	Preparation for the performance component is ongoing
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Summer 1	Summer 2
Music for Stage and Screen set work (2 weeks):	Music for Stage and Screen wider listening (2 weeks):
J. Williams: `Main title/rebel blockade runner' (from the soundtrack to Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope)	 Explore pieces in genres related to the second set work, which may include:
 Explore this piece by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to make critical judgements about the music. Now that each piece has been studied, comparative and evaluative skills can be practised between the two. The study of this set work should examine composing sound to match pictures. 	 excerpts from other film scores by Deborah Lurie and composers like Howard Shore. In each case relating the music to the set works studied through their use of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language. The wider listening should enhance the study of matching music wimages undertaken in the set work.
Music for Stage and Screen wider listening (2 weeks):	Work on free composition.
 Explore pieces in genres related to the first set work, which may include: songs from musicals like Matilda and Hairspray. 	Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.
 In each case relating the music to the set work studied through their use of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language. The wider listening should enhance the study of contemporary musical theatre. 	End-of-year examination (1 week).
Free composition is ongoing.	
Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.	

Year Two

Michaelmas 1	Michaelmas 2
Revision of Year One areas of study (4 weeks).	Fusions wider listening (4 weeks):
Fusions set works (4 weeks):	 Explore pieces in which two or more styles are combined to create a fusion, which should include music from African, Turkish, Afro-Cuban Jazz and Latin traditions. In each case relating the music to the set works studied through their use of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language. The stylistic characteristics of each individual style must be isolated and then the fusion of the styles evaluated for its effectiveness.
Afro Celt Sound System: 'Release' (from the album <i>Volume 2:</i> Release)	
Esperanza Spalding: 'Samba em Preludio' (from the album Esperanza)	
 Explore these pieces by using the students' knowledge and understanding of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to make critical judgements about the music. Once each piece has been studied comparative and evaluative skills can be practised between the two. The individual cultures that have been 'fused' should be isolated and the resulting fusion evaluated as a work of popular culture. 	how briefs might be tackled. Thereafter composing to a brief is ongoing.
Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.	Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.

Lent 1	Lent 2
Mock exam (1 week).	Revision of all set works and consolidation of wider listening (4 weeks).
Composing to a brief is ongoing.	Complete composition to a brief.
Preparation for the performance component is ongoing.	Record performances (2 weeks).

Summer 1	Summer 2
Revision of all set works and consolidation of wider listening (5 weeks).	Written examination.
Complete free composition	
Performing and Composing submitted for moderation by 15 May (1 week).	