KS3 Music Curriculum Coverage: 2022 – 2023



Year 8

Sequenced	Pitch	Musical Periods of History			Origins of Pop music	World Music
Key Knowledge	 To Know How to identify notes on the stave in treble pitch: FACE in the spaces, Every Good Boy Deserves Football on the lines How to identify notes on the stave in bass pitch: All Cows Eat Grass in the spaces, Gary Barlow Drinks Fizzy Apple on the lines 	To Know ■ The names of different periods of musical history: Renaissance, Baroque, Classical, Romantic, 20th/21st Century ■ Some facts about Beethoven ■ How both hands are used when playing a keyboard: right hand to play the melody, left hand to play the chords	• Why Haydn's Symphony No 94 is called the Surprise Symphony: the piece begins quietly then a sudden loud chord is played which surprises the listener • How parts can be played together to create harmony: accurate timing when playing with another person, notes which fit together, controlled rhythm and tempo	To Know ■ The storyline for Tchaikovsky's ballet, Swan Lake	To Know ■ The styles of music which led to the creation of pop music: Rock and Roll (a mixture of Rhythm and Blues/Country and Western music ■ Some singers and songs from the 50's to the year 2000 ■ What Britpop is and how it emerged: bands from the early 1990's influenced by British guitar pop music of the 60's and 70's	What a major Pentatonic scale is and how it is created: a five note scale using notes 1,2,3,5 and 6 of a major scale The Pentatonic scale is used in Chinese music: identify notes in the scale and rearrange in order to create a melody
Key Skills	To be able to Identify notes on the stave in treble and bass pitch Play these notes on a keyboard Key vocabulary	To be able to ■ Identify composers from each musical period ■ Fill gaps in text about Beethoven ■ Play Beethoven's Fur Elise on a keyboard using two hands Key vocabulary	To be able to Listen to Symphony No 94 and identify how dynamics have been used Play the Surprise Symphony in two parts Key vocabulary	To be able to Create a storyboard to retell the story Key vocabulary	To be able to Read text and identify key words Listen to excerpts from a selection of songs from 50's to the year 2000 Answer questions about Britpop Key vocabulary	To be able to Identify notes used in a Pentatonic scale Use a Pentatonic scale to compose a piece of Chinese music Key vocabulary
Subject specific	pitch, stave, treble clef, bass clef	renaissance, baroque, classical, romantic, Beethoven	Haydn, classical, symphony, dynamics, harmony	Tchaikovsky, romantic, swan lake	rock n roll, rhythm and blues, country and western, britpop	pentatonic scale, composition, pattern