

GCSE MUSIC



This is a fun packed, exciting course which is very practical and develops all areas of musicianship.

You will learn about musical language and explore the elements of sound, through listening to music, performing individually and in a group, composing and appraising music.

The course encourages you to...

- develop your own musical interests and skills including the ability to make music individually and in groups and to use music technology
- evaluate your own and others' music
- understand and appreciate a range of different kinds of music
- actively engage in the process of music study in order to develop as an effective and independent learner and as a critical and reflective thinker with an enquiring mind.

An interest in music and ability to play an instrument or sing is important if you want to study music. The ability to work independently and practice regularly outside of lessons will also be important.

Over 2 years you will study 4 units:

Unit 1: Listening to and Appraising Music

Written Paper – 1 hour – 80 marks – 20%

Unit 2: Composing and Appraising Music

Externally assessed – 40 marks – 20%

Unit 3: Performing Music

Controlled Assessment – 60 marks – 40%

Unit 4: Composing Music

Controlled Assessment – 30 marks – 20%

For further information, see Mrs Tarpey or Mr Jones