

Statement of Curriculum Intent Subject – Music

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At The Brades Lodge we understand the importance of music and are able to arrange peripatetic teaching in a variety of instruments including guitar and percussion.

On a weekly basis a music production tutor is on site working with selected students who have expressed an aptitude and desire to do more work in this field.

During lessons should students wish to listen to music they are able to using headphones or as a class en masse. There is evidence to suggest this aids the calming of students and increases their ability to focus on the lesson in hand.

| | | World Focus | AUTUMN | | SPRING | | SUMMER | |
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| | Year 2 and 3 | Africa | African Music Singing – Sorida from Ghana, rhythm and pulse | Christmas Rudolph is Coming to Town (Untuned percussion) | Call and response Singing, using word patterns to link to rhythms (djembe) | Music Technology Capture, combine and create sounds using music tech, graphic scores | Tempo Explore changes in tempo, moving to the changing pulse, | High and Low Understand pitch, compare high and low sounds |
| | Year 4 | Asia & Oceania | Music from Oceania Singing – songs from Moana and Tongo, rhythm and pulse work | Christmas Aussie Jingle Bells (boom whackers) | Pentatonic Scale Improvise and compose in an Asian style using pentatonic scale (glockenspiels) | Pentatonic Scale Develop instrumental skills, practise reading notation, play using pentatonic scale | Graphic Scores Read from, create and perform using graphic scores | Recorders Develop instrumental skills, practise reading notation, understanding pitch |
| | Year 5 | North & Central America | Gospel Music Singing - This Little Light of Mine, Swing Low Sweet Chariot, understanding rhythm | Christmas Rockin Around the Christmas Tree/ Mele Kalikimaka (Singing, signing, ukulele/keyboard) | Jazz Improvisation and composition (keyboards) | Recorders Develop instrumental skills, practise reading notation | Ukulele Major and minor chords, strumming patterns, | Chords Use keyboards to explore chords, play triads and understand how they are created |
| | Year 6 | South America & Caribbean | Reggae Music Keyboard - Three Little Birds, One Love, Is This Love, understanding more complex rhythms | Christmas Jingle Bells/Santa Clause is Coming to Town (steel pans) | Composition Develop improvisation skills and learn to compose a piece of music in ternary form | Samba Learn to play Samba style music, improvise and compose rhythmic patterns | PBuzz Develop instrumental skills, practise reading notation, use dynamics | Ukulele Understanding chords, major and minor, song writing using chords |

| Year 7 | Europe | Music from France Singing in rounds - Frere Jacques, Carnival of the Animals, music composition for specific purposes | Christmas Feliz Navidad (ukulele) | Film Music Compose music to accompany a short film clip (Variety of instruments) | Ukulele Develop instrumental skills, practise TAB and chord diagram reading, compose using chords | Composition Use technology to compose music with multiple sections | The Orchestra Learn about the instruments, seating plan, musical genres |
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