

Curriculum Information Bramcote College

Year Group: 7

Subject: Music

| Objectives/purpose | The music curriculum broadly follows the |
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| | principles of the National Curriculum and |
| | aims to establish a love of making music |
| | together. It establishes and develops |
| | students' musicianship skills. |

| Autumn Term | ELEMENTAL (4 lessons) | | |
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| | Using Boomwhackers, students perform as a | | The White |
| | whole class ensemble to playalong tracks. | | |
| | This develops their timing, co-ordination, | | |
| | and engenders a sense of unity, and | | Curriculum Info |
| | confidence within the class in a fun way. This | | |
| | is then assessed with a small group | Year Group: 7 | |
| | performance. | | |
| | Throughout the project students are | Subject: Music | |
| | introduced to the key musical vocabulary | | |
| | that will be needed throughout their musical | Objectives/purpose | The music curriculum Curriculum and aims |
| | study: the Musical Elements (Pitch, | | establishes and deve |
| | dynamics, texture, tempo, duration, timbre | Autumn Term | |
| | & structure.) | Autumni term | ELEMENTAL (4 lesson Using Boomwhackers |
| | Students then add other percussion | | playalong tracks. This |
| | instruments to their ensembles to compose short pieces of music that demonstrate their | | a sense of unity, and |
| | understanding of the musical elements. | | assessed with a smal |
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| | | | compose short piece |
| | | | the musical elements |
| | | | 4 CHORDS (5 lessons |
| | | Spring Term | Students learn how t |
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| | | | the reading of chord |
| | | | be introduced to mo |
| | | | dynamics, and genera |
| | | | Students are assessed |
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| | | | groups with a backing |
| | | | KEYBOARD SKILLS 1 |
| | | Summer Term | Students learn how t |
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| | | | Students apply their |
| | | | pieces of music on th |
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| | | | This project is assess |
| | | | GAMELAN (4 lessons |
| | | | Learning about the a |
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| | | | the music of Java and |
| | | | work in small groups |
| | | <u> </u> | perform a typical pie |
| | | How is progress | Progress is asses by v |
| | | measured? | either provided or of |
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| | | | their compositional |

| | 4 CHORDS (5 lessons) | |
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| Spring Term | Students learn how to play four chords on | |
| | the ukulele (naturally some students will be | |
| | able to grasp more than 4). In order to do | |
| | this they will need to master the correct | |
| | posture, positioning of the hands/fingers | |
| | and the reading of chord charts. As students | |
| | become more proficient they will be | |
| | introduced to more complex strumming | |
| | patterns. Again, good timing, dynamics, and | |
| | general musicianship are all crucial to | |
| | success. | |
| | Students are assessed on their ability to | |
| | navigate the chord changes, and employ | |
| | more sophisticated strum patterns whilst | |
| | performing in small groups with a backing | |
| | track. | |
| | KEYBOARD SKILLS 1 (5 lessons) | |
| Summer Term | Students learn how to read treble clef pitch | |
| Summer renn | notation and some basic durations | |
| | (semibreve, minim, crotchet, quaver). | |
| | Students apply their knowledge of pitch and | |
| | duration when playing short pieces of music | |
| | on the keyboard. This project involves a lot | |
| | of self-directed learning – students progress | |
| | through a book of short pieces that get | |
| | gradually more complex and require a | |
| | building skill base. These skills range from | |
| | playing melodies with the correct fingers of | |
| | the right hand, to calculating the most | |
| | efficient way of navigating three or four note | |
| | chord progressions by employing different | |
| | inversions. | |
| | Those students who take piano or keyboard | |
| | lessons out of school are expected to bring | |
| | in their music and take the opportunity to | |
| | progress further. | |
| | This project is assessed through a minimum | |
| | of 3 solo performances. | |
| | GAMELAN (4 lessons) | |
| | Learning about the arts from other cultures | |
| | helps us all to grow into more considerate | |
| | and thoughtful people. During this project, | |
| | students explore the music of Java and Bali | |
| | (Indonesia) and its role within society. | |
| | Students work in small groups to read the | |
| | traditional numerical notation system and | |
| | perform a typical piece of Javanese Gamelan | |
| | music on the keyboards. | |
| | music on the Reyboards. | |

| How is progress measured? | Progress is asses by way of either solo or group performances of music either provided or of their own compositions. Progress is measured by the increased effectiveness of communication using music specific technical vocabulary, the increasing mastering of instrument specific techniques and their compositional maturity. |
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| How is the subject externally examined? (KS4 and KS5) | N/A |
| Extending Learning at home | Students are able to sign up for specialist 1:1 tuition on any one instrument of their choice. For students on free school meals, holding NHS exemption certificates, or in receipt of working tax credits, lessons are free. For those who are not, there is a fee for this tuition. Please contact your music teacher for more information. |
| Support Available | Differentiation is core to what we do in music. We recognise that there are many significant challenges in terms of physical dexterity and cognition that may need to be overcome. Clearly, the work is structured so that a careful balance between challenge and achievement can be reached. |
| | Furthermore, we are acutely aware that some student arrive at Bramcote College having had the significant advantage of specialist instrumental tuition. If this took place in your primary school, we will be able to continue this provision here at BC. Throughout all the projects there is significant scope for acceleration and the acquisition of additional skill. |
| Useful web addresses and book resources/revision guides | Whilst not explicitly part of the curriculum, students in Y7 may enjoy learning about the instruments in the Symphony Orchestra. The game in the link below will provide hours of fun. https://listeningadventures.carnegiehall.org/ |

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