| Year 7 | Unit 1 – Basic Elements of Music Theory (8 Lessons) Introduction to notation, Notes on lines and spaces in Treble and Bass Clef, Notes three lines above Ledger Lines, Exploring Time Signatures, Introduction to Dynamics, Listening skills duration of sound. | Unit 2 – The Symphony Orchestra and Exploring Music (16 Lessons) Instrumental Families of the Orchestra (Strings, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion) The Orchestra through time Baroque Music (1600-1750), Classical Music (1750-1820), Romantic Music (1820-1900), The influence of Classical Music on Modern Music • What is the context of the period? • What does the Orchestra look like during this period? • Features of the Music – Structure, Dynamics etc. • Major Composers and Examples of Pieces | Unit 3 – Vocal Unit (6 Lessons) Where do you hear singing? How is the voice used? Texture of vocal pieces Performance skills Breathing Performance stance Vocal projection Perform as a class Perform in a group |
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| | Assessment Questions on notation, Treble and Bass Clef London Underground Rhythm Assessment | Assessment Orchestral Instruments Listening Assessment The Orchestra Through Time Listening Paper | Assessment Vocal Performance Assessment |
| Catholic Social Teaching Theme | Participation | Solidarity | The Common Good |
| Year 8 | Unit 1 – World Music (16 Lessons) Indian Music – Culture and Context, Instrumentation (Sitar, Tampora, Tabla, Harmonium), Structure (Improvisation, Raga) African Music – Culture and Context, Instrumentation (Drums), Structure ('Blues Notes') Latin American Music – Culture and Context, Instrumentation (Drums, Trumpets, Additional Percussion), Structure The influence of world on Western Popular Music Beatles – Sgt Pepper (Indian), Paul Simon – Graceland (African), Camila Cabello/J.Lo (Latin American) | Unit 2 – Performance and Composition of Latin American Music (7 Lessons) Rhythmic and Melodic Features, Performance of Latin American Music, Composition of Latin American Music Latin American Music in context Where and when is music played Instrumentation in various ensembles Features of the music – Elements of music definitions Notable recording artists in performance | Unit 3 – Study of Samba (7 Lessons) Brazilian Samba Music and origins in Rio De Janeiro Contextual information, Performance venues and occasions, Key words: Call and Response, cyclic rhythm, improvisation, ostinato, pulse, rhythm Influence of Western Popular Music genres Samba Music Performance Introduction to instruments and purpose Polyrhythmic patterns performed on these instruments Performance of given rhythms in groups Performance of own composition in groups |
| | Assessment Mini-Listening Assessment on each style Listening Assessment identifying key features of music | Assessment of performance Assessment of composition | Assessment Assessment of performance Assessment of composition |
| Catholic Social Teaching Theme | Stewardship of Creation | Participation | Human Dignity |
| Year 9 | Unit 1 – The History of Popular Music (16 Lessons) For each period, students will explore the context of the period, the structure, instrumentation. Blues | Unit 2 – Riffs and Hooks (6 Lessons) Riffs and Hooks explores music based on repeated musical patterns through the genres of Popular Music (Riffs & Hooks) and Music from the Western Classical Tradition (Ostinatos). | Unit 3 – Music on the Stage and Screen (8 Lessons) Discuss how music is used in films – How film themes can set the mood for the entire film as frequently used on film trailers. |

| | 1950s – The Emergence of Rock n' Roll (Elvis, Bill Hayley, Little Richard) 1960s – The British influence on the USA (Beatles, Rolling Stones and Solo Artists) 1970s – Anti-Establishment – Punk (Sex Pistols), Funk (James Brown, Stevie Wonder), Glam Rock (Slade, T-Rex) 1980s – Michael Jackson, Madonna, Quincy Jones 1990s – Boy Band/Girl Bands (Blur and Oasis/Spice Girls and Take That) 2000s – Hip Hop (Cool Herc, Beyonce), Rap (Eminem, Stormzy) | Exploring Riffs and Hooks in popular song Exploring Riffs and Hooks in 'Sweet Dreams' and other songs Exploring repeated Musical Patterns in 'Classical Music' Exploring Riffs and Hooks in Arctic Monkeys tracks | Featuring Film music from: Pirates of the Caribbean, Psycho, Schindler's List, Terminator 2, The Good the Bad and the Ugly and many more. Role of music in films The music of John Williams Leitmotif, Repetition, Diegetic Major, Minor, Chromatic, Whole Tone Scales Project planning – composing underscore | |
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| | <u>Assessment</u> Mini Listening assessment on each style Listening Assessment identifying key features of music | Assessment Mini Listening assessment on Riffs and Hooks Assessment in performance/composition | Assessment Mini Listening assessment on various film themes Assessment on composition | |
| Catholic Social Teaching Theme | The Common Good | Participation | Solidarity | |

YEAR 10 9-1 AQA GCSE MUSIC

| | Half Term 1 6.5 Weeks | Half Term 2 5.5 Weeks | Half Term 3 6 Weeks | Half Term 4 5 Weeks | Half Term 5 5 Weeks | Half Term 6 7 Weeks |
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| | THEORY - Staves, Note Values, Time Signatures, Key Signatures, Chords, Cadences, Intervals, Terms - | LISTENING - Instruments, Voices, Structure AB (Binary) ABA (Ternary) AABA, 12 Bar, Pop Song, Terms - Tech | THEORY - Inversions, AOS3 The Paul Simon "Graceland", "Diamonds on the Soles of Her Shoes", "You Can Call Me Al" | LISTENING - Musical Periods, AOS1 Mozart Clarinet Concerto in A major . | AOS2 POP, Listening Unfamiliar, Broadway, Rock, Film, Pop 90s. AOS1 Unfamiliar | Exam Questioning Overview & Practice. |
| YEAR 10 | Dynamics, Tempo Aural: Intervals, major/minor chords SOLO PERFORMANCE - Target, Review, Video | Sibelius Workshops COMP TECH - Chord Progressions I ii IV V vi, Melody Writing, | COMP - Rhythm Accompaniment, Arpeggios, Feel, Bass Lines to comp, Drum Part, Drone, Pedals, | FREE COMP - Modal, Pentatonic, Extended Chords, chords ear training | SOLO PERF - Prep additional instrumentation (pads, horns, perc, options etc) Mock Exam | ENS PERF - Types of ensembles, Listening, Plan for Own Ensemble |
| | | | | | Feedback session – Revision on Mozart clarinet concerto Paul Simon songs | |
| | Study tasks on Firefly | Study tasks on Firefly | Online Exam Buster questions and answers | Online Exam Buster questions and answers | Revision on theory and Set Works | Exam/Performance Preparation |
| Catholic Social Teaching Theme | The Common Good | Solidarity | Participation | Dignity of Work | Participation | The Common Good |

YEAR 11 9-1 AQA GCSE MUSIC

| | Half Term 1 6.5 Weeks | Half Term 2 5.5 Weeks | Half Term 3 6 Weeks | Half Term 4 5 Weeks | Half Term 5 5 Weeks | Half Term 6 7 Weeks |
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| YEAR 11 | Revision AoS1 Mozart Clarinet Concerto AoS3 Paul Simon – Graceland album Solo Performance preparation Development work on 'Free' Composition | Solo Performance Submission Recording 'Free' Composition deadline for submission (scores/mp3 recording) GCSE Mock written paper | Composition – 'Brief' Issue choice of briefs Research genres Ensemble Performance planning - Development AoS1 Western Classical Tradition 1600 – 1750 (Genres - listening) AoS3 Traditional Music (Genres – listening) | Composition to 'Brief' final submission (scores/mp3 recording) Ensemble Performance submission recording AoS2 Popular Music (genres – listening) AOS4 Western Classical Tradition since 1910 (Genres – listening) | Component 1– Understanding Music (Listening & Appraising Music) Exam preparation | Study Leave |
| | | Copies of Solo Performance scores 'Free' Composition programme notes | Research and planning | Copies of Ensemble Performance scores 'Brief' Composition programme notes | Passed papers – General revision | |

| Catholic Social Teaching Theme | Solidarity | The Common Good | Participation | Human Dignity | Solidarity | |
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