Subject: Music	Subject Leader:	Year Group: 7	AUTUMN TERM
Topic	Key Learning Points	Key Vocabulary	Assessments
Half term 1: Elements of Music	End Points: Be able to use the elements of music creatively Be able to read and interpret simple pitch and rhythm notation Knowledge: Understand what the elements of music are Understand the meanings of and accurately use the key vocabulary	Dynamics, rhythm, tempo, pitch, timbre, texture, silence, duration Semibreve, minim, crotchet, quaver, semiquaver, stave, treble clef	Whole class performance Small group performance Individual understanding of notation and rhythm Self-evaluation
Half term 2: Keyboards	End Points: Be able to perform on keyboard with accuracy in time with a partner Be able to read and interpret keyboard notation Knowledge: How to play the keyboard with correct technique Understand the meanings of and accurately use the key vocabulary	Scale, chord, flat, sharp, pentatonic, major, minor, chromatic	Paired performance Individual performance Self-evaluation End of term knowledge test

Subject: Music	Subject Leader:	Year Group: 7	SPRING TERM
Topic	Key Learning Points	Key Vocabulary	Assessments
Half term 1: Samba	End Points: Be able to play with confidence as part of a large ensemble Be able to follow a director Knowledge: The social, cultural and historical context of samba Understand the meanings of and accurately use the key vocabulary	Call and Response, Carnival, Syncopation, Main groove, Surdo, Caixa, Tamborim, Agogo, Ganza, Chocalho	Whole class performance Small group performance Self-evaluation
Half term 2: Ukulele	End Points: Be able to interpret chord boxes and TAB notation Perform a piece of ukulele music that uses chord boxes and TAB notation Knowledge: Understand the musical traditions of Hawaii Identify the names and functions of the parts of a ukulele	Strumming pattern, TAB, Chord box, parts of a ukulele (body, neck, head, tuning pegs, strings, soundboard, sound hole, bridge)	Whole class playalong Whole class performance Paired/small group performance Self-evaluation End of term knowledge test

Subject: Music	Subject Leader:	Year Group: 7	SUMMER TERM
Topic	Key Learning Points	Key Vocabulary	Assessments
Half term 1: Film Music	End Points: Be able to use the musical elements in performance and composition Be able to perform as a soloist and as part of an ensemble Knowledge: Understand how composers reflect characters, images and create atmosphere Understand the meanings of and accurately use the key vocabulary	Leitmotif, Atmosphere, Mickey Mousing, Dynamics, rhythm, tempo, pitch, timbre, texture, silence, duration	Paired/individual performance Group performance Individual composition Self-evaluation
Half term 2: Africa	End Points: Be able to perform a vocal arrangement of a traditional South African song as part of an ensemble Be able to perform as part of a djembe ensemble using accurate techniques Knowledge: Understand the cultural and geographical context of West African drumming Understand what isicathamiya singing is, its cultural and social importance in South Africa, and how it became popular within Western cultures	Isicathamiya, Djembe, Oral Tradition, Polyrhythmic, Call and Response	Whole class singing Small group singing Whole class djembe performance Small group djembe performance Self-evaluation End of year knowledge test

How parents can support learning in the subject this academic year

Ask students to describe songs they hear on radio/TV using Musical Elements vocabulary

Encourage students to try a taster instrumental lesson in the first term and support continued learning if students express interest

Year 7 trip to watch an orchestral concert at Symphony Hall in Birmingham (TBC)

Encourage attendance at music clubs (choir, orchestra, jazz band, guitar club) and getting involved with the school musical

Recommended Reading

Classic FM Friendly Guide to Music

Classic FM Friendly Guide to Film Music

Recommended Listening

Elements of Music: Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra – Britten

Keyboards: Fur Elise - Beethoven; Your Song - Elton John; Fallin' - Alicia Keys; From Blackbird Hills - Amy Beach

Samba: Samba Le Le, The Little Train of the Caipira – Villa-Lobos; Mas Que Nada – Sergio Mendes; Beautiful Creatures – Barbatuques

Ukulele: Facing Future – Iz Kamakawiwo'ole; Jake & Friends – Jake Shimabukuro

Film: The Incredibles, Up - Michael Giacchino; Indiana Jones, Star Wars - John Williams; Encanto - Germaine Franco

Africa: The Lion King – Hans Zimmer, Elton John; Siyahama, Kusimama – traditional African songs