# Bentley Wood High School Music KS3 CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

#### The core aims of the Key Stage 3 Music Curriculum are to develop students' ability to:

- perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians
- learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence
- understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

## The mapping of the curriculum reflects the breadth of genres, contexts and styles which provide variety to the subject – this is also reflected in the areas assessed in GCSE Music. These are:

- play and perform confidently in a range of solo and ensemble contexts using their voice, playing instruments musically, fluently and with accuracy and expression
- improvise and compose; and extend and develop musical ideas by drawing on a range of musical structures, styles, genres and traditions
- use staff and other relevant notations appropriately and accurately in a range of musical styles, genres and traditions
- identify and use the inter-related dimensions of music expressively and with increasing sophistication, including use of tonalities, different types of scales and other musical devices
- listen with increasing discrimination to a wide range of music from great composers and musicians
- develop a deepening understanding of the music that they perform and to which they listen, and its history
- Learning how to use musical technology to support composition
- -Creating a good practice routine

### Core Skills

- Performing
- Composing
- Understanding music

#### Assessment:

- Each scheme of learning will conclude with a **graded assessment** focused on one or more of the core skills and marked according to the KS3 assessment framework. This is linked to the GCSE grade requirements but is **not** a set of numerical GCSE grades.
- As with the nature of music and the demographic of the school the knowledge of our year 7 intake is wide. Therefore the class teacher will differentiate work based on the needs of the student continually assessing performance skills as they go along and ensuring all students are stretched and challenged.
- **Performing** with accuracy, expression and dynamics. This will be assessed in each unit.
- **Composing** with creativity. This will be assessed in units that lend themselves to composition.
- Understanding music using musical vocabulary. This will be developed in each unit.
- Students will reflect on all graded assessments to track their successes and areas for development over time in their premade booklets.
- Formative assessment will take place regularly with either written or verbal feedback in line with both the whole school and department's marking policy.
- Students will have **examinations** in the summer period each year; this is important preparation for the conditions of GCSE and A Level assessment. This may serve as the graded assessment for one scheme of learning or be in addition to it.

#### **Promoting Literacy:**

- Students will be developing musical language guided from displays, their booklets and class powerpoints.
- Students will be encouraged to use musical vocabulary when writing and verbally describing music.
- Students will be encouraged to do listening extension tasks for homework to develop musical literacy
- ❖ In year 7 all starts will be linked to musical notation

	Autumn 1 Rhythm playing in time, singing in a round.  Traditional music – West African music	Autumn 2  Musical literacy Piano Skills 1 – Classical Music	Spring 1  Keyboard skills 2 – The Baroque period – Classical music	Spring 2  Keyboard skills 2 – The  Baroque period  – Classical music	Summer 1 Popular/Traditional music – The blues	Summer 2 Traditional music – Samba
Year 7	Singing in a round Djembe performance, rhythm development, improvisation, Composition Contextual knowledge Great composers and musicians  Music Model Curriculum: Soualle Gumama Singing in a round Ensemble performance Dynamics/texture/tempo Rhythm/syncopation Improvisation  Entry theory test	Developing fluency in reading musical notation  applying this to practical performance on the keyboard and own instruments  Great composers and musicians  Music Model Curriculum: Trad: Beethoven Ode to Joy Trad: Allouetta Trad: Christmas songs 4/4 time signature Legato Keyboard instrumental performance	Singing in harmony  Extending musical fluency in reading notation and performing with expression on they keyboard (and own instrument)  Introduction to wider Classical repertoire Playing,  Composing and improvising over a ground bass.  Contextual knowledge of the Baroque period	Singing in harmony  Extending musical fluency in reading notation and performing with expression on they keyboard (and own instrument)  Introduction to wider Classical repertoire Playing,  Composing and improvising over a ground bass.  Contextual knowledge of the Baroque period Introduction music technology	Singing  Developing playing the keyboard with accuracy, expression and dynamics (and own instrument)  Developing musical literacy and terminology, learn about the contextual history of the blues  Understand and use the different musical roles of Blues music  Great composers and musicians	Performance, rhythm development, improvisation in the samba style Composition Reading and applying rhythm notation Developing musical literacy and terminology Contextual knowledge of Samba Great composers and musicians  Music model curriculum: Perform on untuned percussion Compose in simple structures Improve rhythmic ideas Sing Mas Que Nada Semibreve, minim, crotchet, quaver, semiquaver, dotted rhythms

	Introduction music technology  Music model curriculum: Toccata and Fugue Symphony (Overture) from Messiah 3/4 time signature 4/4 time signature Legato Slur Keyboard performance Composition over the chord structure – perfect cadence C major D major Dynamics Treble and bass clef Semibreve, minim, crotchet, quaver, semiquaver, dotted rhythms Exploration of textures through class performance	Music model curriculum: Toccata and Fugue Symphony (Overture) from Messiah 3/4 time signature 4/4 time signature Legato Slur Keyboard performance Composition over the chord structure – perfect cadence C major D major Dynamics Treble and bass clef Semibreve, minim, crotchet, quaver, semiquaver, dotted rhythms Exploration of textures through class performance	Music model curriculum: God Bless the Child 4/4 time signature Staccato Keyboard performance Composition Improvisation Vocal performance C major G major Dynamics A minor	4/4 metre Dynamics Texture
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	Autumn 1 Instrumental Skills – Popular music	Autumn 2 Popular music – playing as an ensemble	Spring 1 Popular music – playing as an ensemble	Spring 2 Classical Music – piano skills 3	Summer 1 Classical Music – piano skills 3	Summer 2 Music for film and screen
	Developing vocal, piano and ukulele skills  Learning how to compose and improvise accompaniments.	Developing vocal, piano, ukulele and ensemble skills  Learning how to compose and improvise	Developing vocal, piano, ukulele and ensemble skills  Learning how to compose and	Extending musical fluency in reading notation and performing on the keyboard with expression and articulation (and		Developing keyboard and music technology skills  Understand how to write effective film music within the variety of genres.
Year 8	Understand about I, IV, V primary chords in different pieces relate to each other.  Exploring extended chords	accompaniments.  Understand how harmony in different pieces relates to each other  Contextual	improvise accompaniments.  Understand how harmony in different pieces relates to each other	own instrument) Learning about the contextual features of the Classical and Romantic Period and studying great composers		
	Contextual knowledge Great composers and musicians  Music model curriculum:	knowledge Great composers and musicians Music model curriculum:	Contextual knowledge Great composers and musicians Music model	Developing composing and improvising in a Western classical style		
	Music model curriculum: Popular music	curriculum: Popular music	Music model curriculum:	Music Model Curriculum:		

4/4 time signature	4/4 time signature	Popular music	1 <sup>st</sup> Mvt Eine Kleine	
Dynamics	Dynamics	4/4 time signature	Nachtmusik –	
C major	C major	Dynamics	Mozart	
A minor	A minor	C major	4 <sup>th</sup> mvt symphony	
G major	G major	A minor	no.9 – Beethoven	
E minor	E minor	G major	Ride of the	
Semibreve, minim,	Semibreve, minim,	E minor	Valkyries – Wagner	
crotchet, quaver,	crotchet, quaver,	Semibreve, minim,	Pastorale for piano	
semiquaver, dotted	semiquaver, dotted	crotchet, quaver,	in D major	
rhythms	rhythms	semiquaver,	3/4 time signature	
Staccato	Staccato	dotted rhythms	Legato	
Legato	Legato	Staccato	Slur	
Treble and bass clef	Treble and bass clef	Legato	Keyboard	
I want to break free –	I want to break free –	Treble and bass	performance	
Queen	Queen	clef	Composition over	
Stairway to Heaven – Led	Stairway to Heaven –	I want to break	the chord structure	
Zeppelin	Led Zeppelin	free – Queen	<ul> <li>perfect cadence</li> </ul>	
I have Nothing – Whitney	I have Nothing –	Stairway to Heaven	A minor	
Housten	Whitney Housten	<ul> <li>Led Zeppelin</li> </ul>	E minor	
Singing – Say something	Singing – Say	I have Nothing –	Dynamics	
– Christina Aguilera	something – Christina	Whitney Housten	Treble and bass clef	
	Aguilera	Singing – Say	Semibreve, minim,	
		something –	crotchet, quaver,	
		Christina Aguilera	semiquaver, dotted	
			rhythms	

### **Model Music Curriculum Sing and Performance Mapping**

### **Keyboard skills performance**

Year 7	Trad: Alouette	Pachelbel's Canon	12 bar Blues
	Christmas music		Spiritual: When the Saints
	Trad/Beethoven: Ode to Joy		
Year 8	Variety of 4 chord popular	Beethoven: Fur Elise	Melodies by John Williams
	songs		

### **Singing**

Year 7	Students to sing rounds from primary school  Gumama  Soualle (congo)  Si Si Si round – 3 part harmony	Memories (up to 3 parts)	Sergio Mendes: Mas Que Nada
Year 8	A Great Big World/Christina Aguilera: Say Something One call away Old town road	Kelly Steinberg: True Colours	India: Zap mama