

Subject Area: Music – KS3

'Music is a unique form of communication that brings together intellect and enables personal expression, reflection and emotional development. It encourages active involvement both individual and communal, developing a sense of group identity and togetherness. It helps students understand themselves and relate to others, forging important links between the home, school and the wider world'

Curriculum Overviews	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 7	I've Got Rhythm Part 1 Rhythms and Polyrythms Ensemble performance	I've Got Rhythm Part 2 Instrumentation from Africa Singing Introduction to Keyboard	Elements of Music Part 1 Carnival of The Animals Listening and appraising Keyboard skills	Elements of Music Part 2 Carnival of The Animals Listening and appraising Performance skills	Find Your Voice Part 1 Singing - different voices, types and styles. Popular music Instrumentation Keyboard/ukulele/guitar	Find Your Voice Part 2 Warm up exercises Ensemble Performance Popular Music Structure
Year 8	Signature Tunes Part 1 Overture and theme tunes. Scales, timbres and lyrics Keyboard skills	Signature Tunes Part 2 Theme tunes Keyboard Skills Music notation Chords	Folk Music Part 1 Folk music Instrumentation Modes and scales	Folk Music Part 2 Drone, ostinato, chords, melody. Folk dance traditions. Keyboard, ukulele, guitar. Ensemble performance	Hooks and Riffs Part 1 TAB notation Keyboard/ukulele/guitar Chords and Triads Hooks, riffs, ostinatos	Hooks and Riffs Part 2 Band work Repeated musical patterns.
Year 9	Blues Into Jazz Part 1 Blues music 12 bar blues chords in C Walking Bass Line Jazz/Blues instrumentation Keyboard/guitar.	Blues Into Jazz Part 2 Blues in Pop music Blues scale Seventh Chords Improvisation	Musical Futures/Band Work Part 1 Solo and ensemble Guitar, keyboard, ukulele, vocals	Musical Futures/Band Work Part 2 Solo and ensemble Guitar, keyboard, ukulele, vocals	Advancing Piano skills Part 1 Two handed keyboard playing Music technology	Advancing Piano skills Part 2 Continuation of keyboard techniques Recording Performance

Texts, Exam Boards and Useful Websites:**Key Stage 3 (Year 7, 8 and 9)**

<https://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/>
<https://www.musictheory.net/>