

Course Title: GCSE Music

Awarding Body: OCR

Further information available from: Mr Reinikovas

GCSE Music is an exciting, practical and creative course. You will develop your performing skills, learn how music is created, and explore a wide range of musical styles — from film music and pop to classical and world traditions. If you enjoy making music, performing, or want to understand how music works, this course is for you.

What Will You Study?

Performing	Composing	Listening and Appraising
<p>You will perform one solo and one ensemble piece on any instrument or voice (including music technology).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on accuracy, expression and confidence. • Pieces can be in any style that suits your abilities. 	<p>Create two compositions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One to a set brief from OCR • One free composition in any style <p>You'll learn how to develop musical ideas, structure your music, and use technology to create professional results</p>	<p>A final written/listening exam exploring four areas of study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhythms of the World (e.g., African, Indian, Latin styles) • Film Music • Conventions of Pop (pop, rock, Bhangra, ballads) • The Concerto Through Time (Baroque to Romantic) <p>You'll learn how music is put together and how to spot musical features in different genres.</p>

How Is the Course Assessed?

- Performing – 30% (teacher-assessed, externally moderated)
- Composing – 30% (teacher-assessed, externally moderated)
- Listening & Appraising Exam – 40% (1hr 30min written exam, externally assessed)

Next steps after GCSE

A-Level Music, Music Technology, BTEC Music, performing arts courses, or simply continuing music for enjoyment. If you have any further questions, please speak to Mr Reinikovas/Mr Burns.