



OVERVIEW

In Year 9, pupils develop their musical skills through performing, composing, listening and appraising. Pupils are introduced to new musical styles and traditions in a carefully sequenced curriculum beginning with a more detailed consideration of the role of the Elements of Music in Popular Music styles before considering the role of music in the media and finally completing an end of KS3 ensemble performing activity. Singing is integral to our curriculum at ICA and we encourage pupils to join our school choir (available through the ASPIRE offer).

Autumn

Unit 1 : Musical Scientists

- Learning about the Elements of Music are used in range of Popular Music styles e.g. primary and secondary chords, textures, etc.

Unit 2 : What Makes a Good Song?

- Further consideration of the Elements of Music in Popular Music
- Analysis Presentation

Assessment:

Teacher Assessment via Recall Questions etc.

Performance / Composition Assessment

Vocabulary-based Assessment

Personal development:

Building on Y8 Music by considering the Elements of Music in more detail

Developing Music analysis skills

Spring

Unit 3 : Music in the Media

- Considering the role of music in the media (e.g. film music, T.V. music, etc.)

Unit 4 : Soundscapes

- Creative exploration of soundscapes to portray a range of emotions
- DAW Skills using *Soundtrap*

Assessment:

Teacher Assessment via Recall Questions etc.

Performance / Composition Assessment

Vocabulary-based Assessment

Personal development:

Greater awareness of the relationship between music and storytelling

Developing DAW skills

Summer

Unit 5 : Great Musicians

- Learning about the music of the Great Composers across a range of musical styles e.g. Minimalism

Unit 6 : Band Musicianship

- End of KS3 Ensemble Performing Activity

Assessment:

Teacher Assessment via Recall Questions etc.

Performance / Composition Assessment

Vocabulary-based Assessment

Personal development:

Awareness of historical context of music styles

Further developing ensemble performing skills

Useful resources for supporting your child at home:

BBC Bitesize
MyMusicOnline