



Music

Why study Music?

Music is all around us in so many different forms, and A Level Music offers the chance to develop a greater understanding of how it has evolved and changed throughout the ages. Music is not just a pastime, it is rhythmically based and has the ability to transport you to another world of time and space which is why it is so popular.

Music is history – it reflects the environment and times of its creation, taking on the emotion of a nation, region or a people. Music is art – each musician has their own unique voice and style. It is not just a form of entertainment, it is a way of life. Music has transformed over time and to foster a deeper appreciation of different styles and genres.

Course Structure: What is it?

In A Level Music, students will have the opportunity to develop performance skills (solo and ensemble), composition and knowledge of music. They will also develop their analytical skills by studying compositions from the Edexcel A Level Anthology of Music.

More information can be found by visiting the Edexcel website and downloading the following:

A Level:

<http://www.edexcel.com/qualifications/assessments/GCE-music-specific/A-Level-2015.pdf>

During the A Level course, students will complete the following:

A Level

Component 1 – Performance

This unit presents the opportunity to perform one or more pieces in the form of a recital. It can be in any chosen style and can be presented as a soloist or part of an ensemble. The recital should be a minimum of 8 minutes. This is worth 30% of the total A grade.

Component 2 – Composition

This unit allows students to demonstrate their compositional skills by writing a piece of music. The total time for the composition must be a minimum of 6 minutes. This is worth 30% of the total A grade.

Component 3 – Appraising:

This unit allows students to demonstrate their analytical skills by studying compositions from the Edexcel A Level Anthology of Music. This is worth 40% of the total A grade.



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