## Newport Girls' High School



## Y7-11 Learning Overview

Subject: Music Lead Teacher: Mrs A. Chapman Year: 11

## Curriculum organisation

Students are taught in mixed groups ranging in number for three hours per week. They are not grouped by ability.

Overview of Topics & Key Information					
Term	Unit(s) of Work	Key Enquiry Questions	Key Content/ Terminology	Skills developed	• Whole class discussion
Autumn Term	Own Instrument Composition. Brief set composition (after half term) Set work analysis – Beethoven Pathetique, Spalding -Samba Em Preludio and Afro Celt Sound System - Release. Extended comparison, 12 mark question. Melodic dictation.	<ul> <li>What are the key musical features of Baroque, Classical and Romantic instrumental music?</li> <li>How did composers write for virtuoso musicians?</li> <li>Why did composers start to exploit instrumentation more in the Romantic period?</li> <li>How can we use our knowledge of pitch, rhythm and tempo to notate dictated music?</li> </ul>	Major/minor Key signatures Tonality AABA/ABA/Sonata form/theme & variations. Rubato Concerto Grosso Ripieno/concertino Fugue Gigue Diminuendo/crescendo Intervals (fifth and octave)	<ul> <li>Notation and rhythmic recognition and reading.</li> <li>Independent composition skills.</li> <li>General Appraising Skills.</li> <li>Score analysis</li> <li>Exam style questioning.</li> <li>Melodic dictation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pair work</li> <li>Practical activities</li> <li>Aural appraisal</li> <li>Ensemble Skills</li> <li>Short video and audio clips.</li> <li>Information retention exercises.</li> </ul>
Spring Term	Exam style questioning technique 12 mark comparison question. Wider listening Solo and ensemble performance coursework recordings. Brief set composition	<ul> <li>What are the key features associated with a successful solo performance?</li> <li>How do musicians perform collaboratively?</li> <li>Can we draw similarities between our set works and others written at a similar time?</li> </ul>	MADTSHIRT     Texture, tempo, tonality, duration dynamics, melody, articulation, harmony, instrumentation, rhythm.	<ul> <li>Score annotations</li> <li>Score reading</li> <li>Notation</li> <li>Revision     techniques</li> <li>Independent     compositional     skills</li> <li>Ensembles skills.</li> <li>General appraising     skills.</li> <li>Score Writing</li> </ul>	
Summer Term	Brief set composition Wider listening 12-mark comparison question. Solo and ensemble performance recordings Exam style questioning technique.	<ul> <li>How can we apply MADTSHIRT to the analysis of each set work?</li> <li>What are the time signatures of each set work?</li> <li>What are the key musical features of each genre and period studied?</li> </ul>	MADTSHIRT     Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Glam Rock, Fusion, Musical Theatre.     Functional harmony     Diatonic     Bitonal     Sonata Form.	<ul> <li>Score annotations</li> <li>Score reading</li> <li>Notation</li> <li>Revision techniques.</li> <li>Exam questions</li> <li>Wider listening.</li> <li>Independent compositional skills.</li> <li>Score Writing</li> </ul>	

Equipment needed for lessons	How will learning and progress be assessed?		
<ul> <li>Standard school stationery</li> <li>Manuscript paper</li> <li>Headphones</li> <li>Set works exercise books/scores.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>End of unit tests (subject knowledge focus)</li> <li>Formal assessment week (May)</li> <li>Peer and self-assessment</li> <li>Homework tasks (often research or project based)</li> <li>Retrieval practice activities</li> <li>Exam style questioning.</li> </ul>		

Extension & Enrichment opportunities	What can you do to support your child?
<ul> <li>Clubs – Choir, Senior Choir, Orchestra, Saxophone ensemble, Ukulele Club.</li> <li>Trips &amp; Visits. Previous trips include theatre visits and a music tour to New York</li> <li>Websites:         <ul> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zpf3cdm</li> <li>https://www.soundtrap.com/</li> <li>https://hellomusictheory.com/learn/minimalism/</li> <li>https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Listen to a range of music at home and encourage your child to expand the types of composers and artists they listen to.</li> <li>Share your own musical tastes.</li> <li>Watch or if possible, go to see live concerts and theatre.</li> </ul>

If you have any questions about this Learning Overview, please contact the named Teacher above.