

Year 9 Music Unit 2: Learning Journey

What are we learning about?

In this unit of work you will be composing a piece of music on an instrument and/or using your voice. You will learn about chord structures, how to write melodies and/or use lyrics.



Why are we learning about it?

This unit of work will give you a taster of and prepare you for GCSE Music Composition. We want to give you the opportunity to understand and explore how music is created to allow you to compose your own music.



What new KNOWLEDGE will I gain?

You will study how to extend and develop musical ideas using a range of musical structures, styles, devices and elements. You will learn how to harmonise chord progressions with melodies and create lyrics to go with your composition.



TOPIC: Composing Music

How does this build on the SKILLS I already have?

In this unit you will further develop your instrumental and vocal skills by performing your own composition with fluency, accuracy and expression.



What new SKILLS will I develop?

In this unit you will be developing your ability to accurately write down your composition using musical notation. You will be developing your ability to use staff notation, create a chord grid and present a score.



How does this build on the KNOWLEDGE I already have?

This builds on your knowledge of major and minor tonality and chords by introducing you to scales for creating melodies. You have studied how to develop music using the elements and this will further build on this by introducing you to different musical devices that can be used to extend your piece.