

PLUME ACADEMY - LEARNING OVERVIEW

Year	7
Subject	Music

Prior Learning

The Year 7 programme of study in Music builds on a child's key stage two experience, through developing their listening, composing and performing skills. To be successful in music we need an enthusiasm and willingness to take part, to begin to gain an understanding of instrumental techniques and to continue to develop critical listening skills. We will encourage those students who plays instrument to use them in class as well as take part in the extra-curricular programme

Students will use music technology to broaden their ICT and composition skills through sequencing and recording. Students will learn to use music software that will provide them with a foundation in digital production techniques.

Curriculum Intent – What are the curriculum aims?

- For students to explore their own creativity and develop a passion for a variety of different musical styles.
- To explore a variety of instrumental skills using keyboards, ukulele and a range of rhythmic instruments and to begin to read conventional as well as tab notation.
- To be able to discuss with increasing discrimination the different forms of music explored across a range of cultures and genres, including rhythms of the world and reggae music.
- To be able to compose and perform using a variety of different instrumental techniques that are revisited in subsequent years and apply the skills with increasing sophistication and fluency.
- To work independently and with ensembles in order to compose music collaboratively and provide self and peer-assessment.
- To develop an understanding of key vocabulary and terms that will be further built on in subsequent years to further students' understanding of key concepts and musical elements.
- To begin to explore music technology through the use of ICT, sequencing software and MIDI keyboards.

Curriculum Implementation – What my child will be learning?

Term 1	Half Term 1	Vocals and Graphic Scores	
		Instrument Zoo	
		Using the Voice	
		Keyboard Skills 1	

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	Half Term 2	Vocals and Graphic Scores		
		Rhythms of the World		
		Keyboard Skills 1		
Term 2	Half Term 3	Rhythms of World		
		Graphic score		
		Famous Riffs and Music Theory		
		Sequencing (Rap Beats)		
		Keyboard Skills 2		
	Half Term 4	Famous Riffs and Music Theory		
		Reggae		
	Sequencing (Rap Beats)			
		Keyboard Skills 2		
Term 3 Half Term 5		Reggae Bandlab		
		Project		



Curriculum Impact – How will progress be assessed?

Students will be assessed both on their practical skills through performance to the class. This could be individually or as part of a group. Each term there will also be a formal written assessment based on the work they have been studying in their current topic.

Super-Curricular Opportunities – Extending Learning

Useful supporting resources:	If a student is really passionate about this subject, they could:	As a parent/carer, I can assist my child in this subject by:
Performance work using YouTube. BBC Bitesize Online Resource for Key Stage 3: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zmsvr82	Take instrumental lessons through the school provided by Essex Music Services.	Talking to your child about the music they are studying at school.
Arts Ambassador Award which includes a reading list on Show My Homework. BandLab for Education https://edu.bandlab.com/	Take part in the huge variety of Extra Curricular and performance opportunities offered.	Look to see if there are instrumental in the home that the student could learn. Buy a keyboard or Ukulele to practise at home (they do not need to be very expensive). Encourage your child
		to take part in extra- curricular activities.