



# Year 8 Curriculum

## Music



|              | Topic 1   | Topic 2  | Topic 3  | Topic 4  | Topic 5   |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|---|
| Topic        | Primary Chords<br>(Blues)   | Developing Melodies<br>(Variations)  | Melodic Motifs<br>(Minimalism)   | Major & Minor Chords<br>(Folk)   | Music Technology<br>(Audio)   |
| Key Concepts | <b>Performing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rhythm</li><li>• Melody</li><li>• Harmony</li><li>• Structure</li></ul> | <b>Composing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Melody</li><li>• Tempo</li><li>• Tonality</li><li>• Structure</li></ul> | <b>Composing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dynamics</li><li>• Instrumentation</li><li>• Texture</li><li>• Melody</li></ul> | <b>Performing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Structure</li><li>• Harmony</li><li>• Melody</li></ul> | <b>Composing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Structure</li><li>• Rhythm</li><li>• Texture</li></ul> |




# Year 8 Assessments

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All pupils will sit several knowledge tests and an assessment in Year 8.

|                     | Knowledge Tests   | Assessment   | Revision Resources  |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
|                     | Autumn/Spring Terms   | Summer Term  |   |
| Style of Assessment | Each knowledge test consists of 10 multiple-choice questions  | <b>Listening Assessments:</b><br>A variety of eight short questions based on unfamiliar listening  | <i>Kennet Resources</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 8 Knowledge Organisers</li><li><a href="#">Learning Habits</a></li></ul> You can also find revision material on Frog  |
| Topics Assessed     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Core knowledge taught until that point in the academic year</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Instrumental recognition</li><li>Rhythmic dictation</li><li>Recognising Melody</li><li>General listening</li><li>Tonality</li><li>Dynamics</li><li>Reading Music</li><li>Harmony</li></ul> |   |

**Note: Performance & Composition Assessments** Pupils will be assessed on their performance and composition skills throughout the academic year. Their final piece of work will be recorded and placed on Frog at the end of the unit of work.