



# St. Christopher's CE High School

# MUSIC Curriculum Map



**AoS 1 Western Classical Tradition 1650 - 1910**  
Revisit information you've learnt from Year 10 and 11

**AoS 2 Popular Music**  
Revisit information you've learnt from Year 10 and 11

**Set Brief Composition**  
Finalise your composition ready to submit for your coursework

**Solo & Ensemble Performance Recordings**  
Solo and ensemble performances will be completed and recorded for coursework

**AoS 4 Western Classical Tradition since 1910**  
Revisit information you've learnt from Year 10 and 11

**AoS 3 Traditional Music**  
Revisit information you've learnt from Year 10 and 11

**Listening & Appraising Music**  
Revisiting and retrieving theory and set works information in preparation for your exam at the end of the course

**Study A-Level Music at SIXTH FORM!!**

**AoS 4 Western Classical Tradition since 1910**  
Developing your knowledge of this area of study

**Free Brief Composition**  
Finalise your composition ready to submit for your coursework

**Solo Performance**  
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**AoS 3 Traditional Music**  
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**AoS 1 Western Classical Tradition 1650 - 1910**  
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**Set Brief Composition**  
Using the briefs set by the exam-board to create composition 2

**Ensemble Performance**  
Start working on your performance and rehearsing the material you want to perform with others

**Listening & Appraising Music**  
Throughout year 10 we learn about the music theory and set works required for your appraising examination

**Free Brief Composition**  
Learning about and completing your first GCSE composition (composing to your own brief)

**Popular Music**  
For this topic you will focus on Popular Music, developing your understanding of this genre (*linking with Rock School Project*). You will develop an understanding of how a popular song is structured, instruments used and themes the songs focus on.

**INTRODUCTION TO GCSE MUSIC**  
This topic is designed to develop your understanding of what would be ahead of you in GCSE Music. Working on a chosen stimulus with your peers to develop the skills needed to take Music GCSE.

**Film Music**  
You will study the history and development of film music including the development of technology and the film music industry. You will complete film music assessments in GCSE Style questions based on the film scores you have studied.

**INDIAN MUSIC**  
This topic introduces you to the style of Indian music and identifies its roots. You will gain an understanding of Raga and Tala as the foundations of the music. You will study a variety of instruments and famous musicians involved in the development of Indian Music

**Performing Skills for GCSE Music**  
Introducing GCSE performance skills and starting two years of developing solo and ensemble pieces

**Soundtracks**  
You will experience being "film soundtrack composers" and explore the challenges and music devices used in film soundtrack composition.

**Keyboard Skills**  
You will develop your knowledge of the Keyboard using a structured course with assessment and progress throughout. You will learn how to navigate your way around the keyboard and understanding the functions. You will develop the use of both hands, learn to use chords and apply your knowledge of notation and rhythm. You will gain a certificate for every level successfully attained.

**Variations**  
Developing the ability to recognise, explore and apply the elements of music to create a musical variation. Ground bass, melody & harmony, counter melody, theme

**JAZZ and the BLUES**  
Develop an understanding of bass lines and chords as a harmonic foundation upon which a melody can be constructed upon and as a foundation for improvisation. 12 bar blues, developing keyboard skills, melody and chords, improvisation, History of the Jazz and Blues with in-depth listening and appraising.

**Classical Paintings**  
You will study some great compositions by some of the world's most famous composers. You will learn how the composers have used the elements of music in their programme music compositions to portray the characters and stories within their music.

**THE ORCHESTRA**  
You will learn all about the orchestra and the instruments.

**Building Bricks**  
You will study the Elements of Music (Rhythm, Pitch, Tempo, Texture, Tonality, Timbre, Structure) and learn how these are the foundation for all pieces of music. You will then build on your KS2 skills and learn how to notate music and complete your first simple composition using notation.

**Baseline Assessment**  
You will complete a baseline assessment test which will enable us to shape your musical journey at St. Christopher's.

**Welcome to Music!**  
You will see we have lots of interesting topics planned for your time here at school that will build on information you have been taught in KS2. Now let's begin your music journey at St. Christopher's .....

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