

S3 Music

Why take this course?

This course is aimed at developing a wide range of skills in music. You will continue to improve your performing skills as well as learning to write, record and better understand music.

To succeed in this course, you need...

To improve on any musical instrument you need to practise, practise and then practise. You will be given weekly instrumental lessons together with new and varied pieces of music to help you improve throughout the year. If you love listening to music and have an open mind to trying different types of music you will get a lot from this course.

Course structure and content (subject to change by SQA).

You will continue to study all areas of music with a particular focus on developing your skills on two instruments. In S1 and S2 the main performing focus was working in groups, throughout S3 we will look at how to perform as soloists. You will learn how to write your own compositions and enjoy listening to various types of music.

If you enjoy recording and editing there will be various music technology projects throughout the year.

Course Assessment

Music is a practical subject and the majority of assessments will be based on playing your chosen instruments. As we complete various musical topics there will be short listening tests to check you have been paying attention.

Essentials

A desire to improve.

Where might this course take me?

Progression from S3 music will be to N4/5 Music or N4/5 Music Technology. Both these courses provide steps to studying Music and Music Technology at Higher, Advanced Higher and University levels.