

## KS3 Music – Year 8

|   | Topics Covered  | Assessment  |
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| <b>YEAR 8 AUTUMN TERM</b><br>Weeks – 1-15<br><br>5 <sup>th</sup> September – 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2016 | <b>Theme and variation</b><br>This unit develops pupils' ability to recognise, explore and make creative use of the elements of music found in variation form. Pupils begin this unit by working with a famous theme and exploring different musical ways in which this can be varied and developed, using the elements of music and exploring changes in tonality and rhythm. Pupils explore how composers have used variation form in a selection of music from different times and places. Pupils will demonstrate their understanding through a group composition task where they will be encouraged to 'modernise' the classical theme using music technology. | Individual performance<br>Group composition<br>Listening task<br>1x homework    |
| <b>Year 8 Spring Term</b><br>Weeks – 16-26<br><br>9 <sup>th</sup> January – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2017     | <b>Programme Music</b><br>This unit aims to explore how pictures and art can provide the inspiration and stimulus for composition. Pupils compose their own piece of music inspired by a picture or painting of their choice, which is put together to form a class "Pictures at an Exhibition" featuring the recurring "Promenade" theme.  | Individual composition<br>Ensemble performance<br>Listening Task<br>1x homework |
| <b>Year 8 SUMMER TERM</b><br>Weeks – 27-39<br><br>17 <sup>th</sup> April – 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017       | <b>World Music</b><br>This unit explores music and traditions from around the world. Pupils will be encouraged to explore a range of styles including African Drumming, the Chinese Pentatonic Scale, Samba, Reggae and Indonesian Gamelan.   | Ensemble Performance<br>Listening Task<br>1X homework                           |

### Progress Tracking Assessment dates

PT1: 14<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016 (EN, MA, Sc only)

PT2: 23<sup>rd</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

PT3: 22<sup>nd</sup> May – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017