



Key Stage 4 Curriculum Information

Music: Subject Overview

Qualification	WJEC Performing Arts (Music)
Exam Board	WJEC
Course Leader	Mr O Longbottom: oliver.longbottom@bulwellacademy.org.uk
Course summary	This is a two-year course designed to improve your music skills knowledge of performance and composing. The course combines elements of the music industry with composition and performance. There is a focus on group work and performance and during the course, students will perform to both peers and audiences of different sizes. The course suits students who are confident performers and students who enjoy writing about music. Enthusiasm and passion are essential.
	The course has 3 units <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Performing 2. Composing 3. Creating (industry level organisation)
What will students learn?	Year 10: Year 10 sees an introduction to the course, exploring new skills whilst refine those already learnt. You will look at different genres of music and Expand and refine your listening and performing skills. You will study unit 1 and 2 Performing and Composition. In these units you will research ideas and develop as a musician
	Year 11: In this year you will learn about the industry and develop your performing skills further. The exam board will set you a brief for unit 3 where you have to plan to create a concert or production. Knowing where to get funding and how to plan for the best event possible.
How will students be assessed?	Unit 1 and 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These are coursework-based units and will be marked internally before being sent of to the exam board for verification.
How will students be assessed?	Unit 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a brief given by the exam board that is different every year you will have 20 hrs to complete it in school and this is then sent of to be marked by them as an external exam.
What skills will I need?	You do <i>not</i> have to be able to play an instrument but have to be <i>willing to learn</i> one as this is a needed part of the course. You need to be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willing to explore new ideas and work with others to achieve a common goal • Open to new ideas and happy to perform when fully prepared • Self-motivated to practice and work as an individual outside of lessons to help you to progress to your full potential

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