



MUSIC - YEAR 7

Unit 1: Patterns

Introduction to secondary music learning with the main assessment performing the song *Riptide* with the full class and smaller groups. You will learn and develop these skills:

Ensemble skills, practice skills, melody, harmony, pulse/tempo, singing, introduction to keyboards, ukulele and hand-held percussion

Unit 2: Music for Occasions

Learn how to play the keyboard and decode music using a variety of techniques. You will present your learning through a solo performance on the keyboard of *Jingle Bells*. You will learn and develop these skills:

Introduction to reading musical notation, keyboard, pitch, rhythm, practice skills, solo performance skills and listening assessment preparation.

Unit 3: Canon

In this unit you will learn about the instruments of the orchestra and participate in group performances of *Pachelbel's Canon* with the full class and smaller groups. You will learn and develop these skills:

Texture, ensemble skills, notation, keyboard skills, rhythm, orchestral instruments, elements of music.

Unit 4: Pop Music

Let's take a closer look at Pop music and explore how it is constructed. You will do this by performing the song *Don't Stop Believin'* and you will be able to express your learning through completing your end of term listening assessment. You will learn and develop these skills:

Ensemble skills, other instrumental skills, practice skills, elements of music, listening assessment preparation.

Unit 5: My Tunes

This unit puts focus on your creative skills as we will teach you how to write music using notation. This might sound very challenging and it is, but you will be more than ready by this time in the year! You will learn and develop these skills:

Notation, rhythm writing, pitch notation, pentatonic scale, major and minor scales, structure, binary, ternary and rondo forms

Unit 6: Cycles

This is a celebration of your musical journey in year 7. In this unit you will get the opportunity to display everything you have learnt as well as gaining new skills along the way. You will learn the importance of the conductor and take part in performing a song called Intro as well as learning how to improvise. You will learn and develop these skills:

Improvisation, notation, performance, creative thinking skills, listening assessment preparation and conducting a large group.

