



Curriculum Outline of Content Year 8



Assessment

Half term 1

Instrumental Skills

Year 8 - Keyboard Skills

Keyboard layout/ names of notes, chords in right hand, chords in left hand, chords in both hands, major and minor chords, popular songs chords in right hand bass note in left hand, 12 bar Blues chords in right hand and walking bass in left hand, musical elements extended

Year 8 – Guitar Skills

Components and parts of the guitar, bank of chords, lead sheets

Half term 2

Ensemble Skills

Group member allocation, instrument choices, repertoire choices, learning independently, working in an ensemble, counting in, arranging/ adapting, performing

Music Technology Skills

Studio performance, engineering, basic MIDI Sequencing, basic Audio Sequencing (Logic)

Half term 1

- Assessment performance & evaluation - graded on 2 areas: technical control and understanding.

Half term 2

- Assessment performance & evaluation - graded on 3 areas: technical control, understanding and collaboration

End of Year Grade

- Based on combination of formative and summative assessment