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Embracing Challenge

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The Music Department

Department Ethos

The Music department is a small department with a lot of possibilities. All students in KS3 experience the joy of music lessons and the most dedicated go on to choose it for GCSE in year 8. There are a wide variety of peripatetic lessons for students which lend itself well to the creation of extracurricular bands and orchestras. We have until recently had a successful choir who performed at a number of school events.

The department's aim is to achieve high standards for all of our students and our priority is for students to be self-motivated and confident learners who are not afraid of making mistakes. We hope that pupils will both enjoy and be proud of their work in music and aim to ensure that the curriculum offers a rich and diverse range of learning experiences.

Department Accommodation & Staffing

The music Department has a specialist classroom and a number of practise rooms. The department is resourced with a variety of equipment including various musical instruments a projector and small ICT suit.

Music Teaching

All pupils in Years 7 and 8 follow the National Curriculum for music with Year 9 starting the GCSE course. All pupils are taught in mixed ability. At GCSE we follow the EDEXCEL music course.

Music at A level has been taught in the school however there not currently an A level class but this is something we aim to change in the future.

A programme of able, gifted and talented activities exists across the school and we aim to inspire and extend all abilities.

Extra-Curricular

Our belief is that engaging students is key to sustainable success as a department and as such we are looking for someone to provide extra-curricular opportunities for our pupils to engage with as well as perform at school events.

