



Welcome to Music at All Hallows

We are looking for an inspirational, energetic and enthusiastic teacher to join our Music Department.

Our department aim is to allow all our students to achieve to their potential, give them the opportunities to become outstanding musicians and develop their creativity, whilst fostering the school's mission statement.

The department is very well resourced, and we are continually looking to be investing in this, so that we can offer our students as many opportunities as we can. We pride ourselves on making sure our lessons are accessible to all, and that students learn how to be creative and express themselves within Music. These aspects are fundamental within our lesson preparation and delivery.



Key Stage 3

At Key Stage 3, Year 7 have one fifty minute lesson per week whilst Years 8 and 9 have two fifty minute lessons per week in mixed ability groups. We cover a range of topics including 'Songwriting', 'Gamelan', and 'Musical Theatre' we aim to cover a broad range and variety of musical styles to give all our pupils access to genres which they might not be familiar with

GCSE

Music is a growing subject at Key Stage 4. There has been an uptake in numbers over the past few years and we now have two classes in both Year 10 and 11. We are studying the Edexcel GCSE, and have consistently achieved results that are well above the national average. In 2019, 50% of our cohort achieved the top grades. We make sure learning doesn't just happen in the classroom; we take our Year 10 groups to see a Musical as part of the Appraising paper to allow them to see Music being performed live and in context.



A-Level

We continue with the Edexcel exam board at A Level as it offers a continuation from the skills gained at Key Stage 4. Whilst our classes at KS5 are small, it allows us to tailor the experience to the individual students so that they can take their Music education even further. Many of the students who take Music will go onto University to study further within the subject. Like at GCSE we run enrichment trips for our A-Level students to see set works being performed live, as well as attending study afternoons at various local venues.

Extra-Curricular

Over 250 students take part in our extra-curricular activities each week. With groups running every lunchtime and afterschool, our department thrives on the extra-curricular aspect. We expect every member of the department to run and be involved with extra-curricular groups, showcasing their passion for the subject. We have a variety of groups involving multiple Choirs, a Concert Band, Big Band, Brass Group, Strings as well as groups that students have put together. We currently have two main concerts per year, at Christmas and Easter, and went on Concert Tour to Prague in July 2019. We run a musical on alternate years and are preparing to run 'Oliver!' in the summer of 2020. We also supported by a team of 12 peripatetic staff who teach within the department across a wide range of instruments.



Should you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or at r.fisher@allhallows.net.

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