



Music department - outline of provision

Staffing and accommodation

The music department currently has one full-time teacher and one part-time teacher who, together with two drama specialists, form a dynamic, enthusiastic and successful performing arts team. The position has become available due to the current part-time teacher being promoted to the head of department in another school.

The music department consists of two classrooms complete with integrated ICT facilities, three practice rooms, an office and an instrumental storage room. All rooms are well equipped with tuned and untuned percussion instruments, keyboards and a class set of guitars in the main teaching rooms.

Curriculum

The aim of the music department is to encourage each pupil to compose, perform and develop their aural skills to the best of their ability. The department strives constantly to improve attainment and promote and celebrate achievement. Pupils of all levels of ability are able to develop their skills through the use of differentiation, enabling all pupils to achieve and realise their creative ideas by engaging in musical activities in a planned and structured way. Music is taught in mixed ability groups and the lessons are 60 minutes in length.

Key Stage 4

At Brockington students can select either GCSE music or Btec Level 1/2 First Award in Music. The curriculum is presented in a series of modules and has been designed with mixed ability classes in mind, allowing for the individual development of all pupils.

Many pupils at the college take instrument lessons from our visiting peripatetic teachers who are privately employed through the college and are encouraged to take part in the many extra-curricular activities on offer both inside and outside the college.

Special Educational Needs

Pupils with Special Educational Needs receive learning support hours where this is required and is available. Support is provided as appropriate.

Extra-curricular

The music department offers a range of enrichment activities which are extremely popular and enjoyed by pupils, such as visits to see shows and concerts. There are weekly lunchtime and after school orchestra and choral clubs and successful school productions. The music department has very strong links with local primary schools who take part in performing arts workshops delivered by Brockington College teaching staff, whilst the Brockington Family of Schools choral project performances take place every year.