

Subject: Music (Edexcel)

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CNS 6th Form



Recommended wider listening areas / Areas of Study:

Music from the Baroque, Classical, Romantic and contemporary periods. Music from film, pop and jazz traditions as well as music from around the world.

This course covers the following key topics:

Performing: Through your 1-1 instrument/vocal lessons you will work towards a performance in y13 with interim performances in your classroom music lessons.

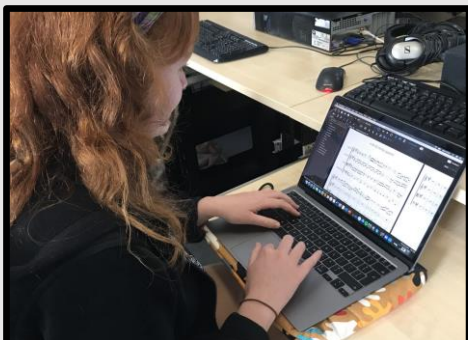
Composing: You will compose one final composition to a brief and complete two Bach chorales. You will compose a range of pieces through y12 exploring techniques and genres.

Appraising: You will study a range of set works from the vocal, instrumental, film, pop & jazz, new directions and fusions areas of study. You will learn to analyse and contextualise these pieces against a range of wider listening.

We love teaching this course because it explores a wide range of musical genres and styles. The course is designed so you combine composition, performance and analysis in your lessons ensuring you are making progress in all three areas all the time. The personal aspect of the smaller class size allows for a more fun and engaging learning experience. Being able to support students in becoming more accomplished musicians is the reason we became teachers so working with 6th formers is excellent and we love the different musical backgrounds and interests you bring to the lessons as well. As sixth formers we also get to work with you in ensembles as leaders and experts as well as working with you on Guildhall visits and trips.

Our students say:

"Music for me is one of the things I enjoy most". "Studying music gives me opportunities and is different to my other subjects". "Studying music isn't just about passing the exams, it's about being part of a community, meeting new people and playing music together. CNS provides opportunities that allow me to better myself.". "I've loved music since I was young and so taking A level is a way to understand it further. It brings great opportunities to play in ensembles around the country". "I chose A level music because CNS is very well known for its music capabilities of teaching students. I guarantee that music will not be a regret for any new A level students".



What future pathways are open to me if I study music?

Students go on to study a range of subjects including music, music technology, music production, history, medicine, maths, English, theatre, physics and many more. Every year students get places at music conservatoires.