

GCSE ½ Termly Overview 2014-16

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Course overview ●Opening Task Song ●Basic rhythm theory/with composition ●Basic notation theory ●Performing Skills (solo 1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Basic chord melodies ●Composing on Sibelius ●Working with the 5 areas of study ●Intro to listening skills ●Working in an ensemble (piece for Christmas Concert) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Free composition with a focus on two areas of study linked to Strand 3 ●Listening skills with exam questions linked to areas of study – Strand 3 (Africa, Carribean, India) ●Composition skills ●Performance skills (solo 2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Listening skills with exam questions linked to areas of study and strand 1 (Baroque, orchestral,concerto, music for voice, chamber music and the sonata) ●Composition based on two areas of study linked to strand 1 ●Class performance/composition task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Listening skills with exam questions linked to areas of study and strand 2 (Blues, rock, RnB, hip hop, music theatre and film music) ●Composition skills and preparation for Unit 4 ●Begin unit 4 composition-controlled assessment (25 hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Unit 4 composition – controlled assessment ●Performance skills (solo 3/ensemble 2) ●Complete listening paper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Review all listening strands with exam based questions ●Writing paper for Unit 2 preparation ●Unit 2 controlled assessment preparation ●Performing skills (solo 4) ●Composition skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Unit 2 Controlled assessment (20 hours plus write up) ●Ensemble 3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Unit 2 Controlled assessment written exam preparation ●Listening skills – all areas of study and strands with exam questions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Performance Unit 3 finals ●Finalising coursework ●Revision – listening exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Revision-listening exam 	