

3. MUSIC

YEAR 9 ELECTIVE MUSIC

The Year 9 Music Courses (both Major and Minor) offer students opportunities to engage in making music in a fun and exciting environment. Learning experiences are constructed to develop a student's theoretical knowledge and understanding of Music by allowing them to read, write, analyse and perform in a variety of styles.

Pre-requisites

Whilst there is no formal pre-requisite as most students will have studied music up to Year 8, participation in private vocal or instrumental lessons may be of benefit. Form for enrolment into this activity can be obtained from the Music Department office.



YEAR 9 MUSIC MAJOR

The Year 9 Music Major Course is aimed at those who may be considering further study in music either at school or university.

As well as engaging in core learning experiences, boys will extend and refine their aural skills and cover a wide range of musical and historical styles.

Offered for: 4 periods per week

Units offered (units may vary from year to year)

Term 1 – “A Firm Foundation” – Folk Music

Term 2 – “Born to be Wild” – The History of Rock

Term 3 – “Tinkling the Ivories” – The Development of the Keyboard

Term 4 – “In the Spotlight” – Music of the Theatre

YEAR 9 MUSIC MINOR

This is an exciting new course being offered for the first time in 2006. Students who have an interest in **contemporary music and music technology** should find this subject particularly enjoyable. The course will focus on the development of **theoretical knowledge, composition and arrangement techniques and performance skills in the modern music styles and genres**. It will also require students to familiarise themselves with the relevant software enabling them to record and edit their performances.

Units offered (units may vary from year to year)

Term 1—"So you want to start a rock band?" - The Basics

Term 2—Mastering your instrument.

Term 3—Recording Techniques

Term 4—"Let's Get Down To Business"

Please note that students wishing to choose Senior Music in Years 11 and 12 must complete at least 3 full semesters of Music study over years 9 and 10.

For example:

Music Minor (2 periods/week) and full year elective in Year 10 (4 periods/week for the whole year).

Further information can be obtained from the Music office.