

# **Year 9 Music Curriculum- Musical Theatre**





### **Prior Learning**

In KS1/2 students apply and develop a broad range of musical skills, which include singing, listening and performance work. They have learned in some instances how to apply this knowledge to their own and to others' work.

#### We will be learning about...

During this unit of work, we will be studying a music topic called Musical Theatre. We will be exploring the different styles of musicals and their performing roles. We will explore a form of theatrical performances that combines songs, spoken dialogue, acting and dance through various case study examples.

## We will develop our learning by studying the following each week:

#### **RAG Rate**

#### Week 1 Key Learning

- <u>Knowledge:</u> Introduction to the musical theatre course and learning key facts about what a musical is and the different types of musicals and sub-genres.
- Skills: Learn the melody line to the song 'A Million Reasons' adding in finger numbers.

### Week 2 Key Learning

- Retrieval Knowledge: Review- key facts about musicals and following the shape of a melody.
- Knowledge: Understanding further notation skills, following pictures and musical notation.
- <u>Skills:</u> Complete listening activity of The Greatest Showman song 'A Million Reasons' and learn the melody line and chord sequence on keyboards, add in articulation to your playing.

### Week 3 Key Learning

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- Knowledge: What is a chord? Understanding how to construct a chord and inversions. Exploring
  the Greatest Showman case study- <u>Watch Part 1 video</u>- Greatest Showman.
- Skills: Learn the chords G, D, C and Em. Use correct finger positions for chords and melody line.

### Week 4 Key Learning

- Retrieval Knowledge: Review- primary chords and chord inversions.
- <u>Knowledge:</u> Exploring the Greatest Showman case study- <u>Watch Part 2 video-</u> Greatest Showman.
- Skills: Exploring key elements of music used in The Greatest Showman and instrument families.

### Theory Assessment: Musical Theatre Listening Assessment

#### Week 5 Key Learning

#### CTG work (Closing the Gap)

- Knowledge: Exploring timbres, instrumentation capabilities and harmony.
- Skills: Listening activity- case study example 2: Mamma Mia the Musical- watch video clip.
- Learn the melody line keyboard part 1- to the song Mamma Mia.

#### Week 6 Key Learning

- Retrieval Knowledge: Review- notation skills- looking at the shape of a melody and understanding the basics of following notation and working with b and #s.
- Knowledge: Exploring ensemble/duet skills- combining parts together into a pair performance.
- Skills: Exploring call and response in music and following own part and others. Learn keyboard part 2.

#### Week 7 Key Learning

#### Practical Assessment

- Knowledge: Exploring pulse and group performing skills- understand how to rejoin a
  performance if mistakes are made.
- <u>Skills:</u> Rehearse and refine work in groups -complete ensemble performance of Mamma Miarefer to assessment criteria.

### Week 8 Key Learning

## CTG work (Closing the Gap)

- Retrieval Knowledge: Review- class ensemble performances of Mamma Mia.
- <u>Skills:</u> Compose your own section (intro/ending) to the song Mamma Mia using keyboards or voices.

Knowledge: Exploring composition work- melody and accompaniment.

Key Vocabulary

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Solo	Unison	Pitch	Octave	Dynamics	Texture	Timbre	Vocal Range	Pulse		Structure
Future Learning										
Year 9: Soundtracks- focusing on music for films.		Year 9: What Makes A Good Song? - focusing on performance and composition skills.		GCSE Music: AOS1- My Music.		<u>Careers:</u> singer, music director, orchestrator, pianist, audio engineer, music producer, lyricist, record producer, conductor and many more				
				Enrich	ment Activ	rities				
During KS3 music, learning could be enriched through:										
Joining an extra- curricular club such as: keyboard club or choir. □		Attending a recital or music concert. □		Watching a live performance of a musician. □		Listening to a composer.			Learning a new instrument through the Instrumental lesson scheme.	