Year 8 Music

Subject and Year Group	Autumn Year 8	Autumn 2 Year 8	Spring 1 Year 8	Spring 2 Year 8	Summer 1 Year 8	Summer 2 Year 8
Topic/Unit to be studied	 Key Genre - Blues Spot the Dot Blues – Keyboards Spot the Dot Blues – Band Project 	Key Genre – Music in the Media Cubase – Smarties Adverts	Key Genre - Latin American Band Project - Havana	 Key Genre – Baroque Period Cubase - Writing a Melody 	 Key Genre - Classical Y8 Keyboard Mozart Task Ukulele Skills 3 Listening Assessment Summer Spectacular - Big Sing 	 Y8 Keyboard Assessment Key Genre – Hip-Hop Happy – Band Project
Core Knowledge	Students will learn the	Students will study	Students will learn	Students will be	Students will learn	Students will
and skills	twelve-bar blues chord	music and the media.	about the	introduced to the	more about the next	learn about Hip-
	progression. They will	They will begin to	importance of Latin	orchestra as	phase in the	hop as a key
	also learn the blues	know how range of	American music	developed in the	development of	genre that has
	scale.	musical devices and	and the use of	baroque era.	orchestral music,	influenced
	Through a number of	elements can be used	rhythm and tonality	By the end of the topic	they will start to look	contemporary
	differentiated keyboard	to support and	within the genre.	they will know how to	at Mozart as a key	popular music
	tasks they will learn	enhance a moving	Students will	build all diatonic	composer and learn	styles for the last
	about improvisation	image.	develop practical	triads in C major.	Eine Kleine	four decades.
	and walking bass lines.	They will learn a range of techniques	performance skills	They will know that	Nachtmuzik on	Hip-hop has
	They will they develop arranging and	on Cubase such as	looking at a range	melodies lines relate	keyboards.	roots in earlier
	performance skills	drum mapping,	of genre specific	strongly to the chord	There will be a	key Afro-
	through a piece of	quantizing and	techniques. They will perform ostinatos,	patterns that support them.	summative assessment on the	American genres studied in
	group work based on	editing of ideas.	syncopated rhythms	They will know what	knowledge they	pervious units.
	several ideas linking to		and further develop	makes successful	have been	Through learning
	the twelve-bar blues.		their two-handed	melodic writing and	developing n all	Happy by Pharell
			keyboard	the ways in which you	year through start	Williams, students
			technique.	can develop melodic	listening activities.	will be
			Havana by Camila	lines through passing	In this half term	developing
			Cabello will be used	notes and other	students will revisit	instrumental and
			as a vehicle to	techniques.	and build on their	vocal skills.
			teach these	Students will use	practical	Rhythmic
			concepts through	Cubase to create a	performance skills.	patterns on the

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			listening and group	composition based	They will learn more	cajon are more
			performance.	on the ground bass	advanced ukulele	complex that
				and chord pattern for	skills and start to	previous band
				Pachelbel's Canon.	learn chords that	projects, the
				This project explores	are outside of the	song has three
				this knowledge in	key of C major to	sections, uses
				detail.	enable them to play	riffs, block chords
					songs in different	and acapella
					keys.	texture as well as
					They will rehearse	working in the
					for our annual	key of A major.
					Summer	Mozart keyboard
					Spectacular	task is assessed.
					Concert that	
					showcases a Year 8 Big Sing.	
Assessment	Blues Quiz	Skoda Adverts Quiz	Latin America Quiz	Baroque Quiz	Classical Music Quiz	Mozart
	Spot the Dot Blues	Smarties Cubase	Havana Group	Writing a Melody	Y8 Listening	Keyboard
	Keyboard	Composition	Performance	Cubase Task	Assessment	Assessment
	Spot the Dot Blues					Hip-Hop Quiz
	Group					Happy Group
						Performance