



<http://www.valeofyorkacademy.org/personnel/music/>

Lead teacher: Mrs P Brady

Key Stage 3

At KS3 students can expect to be challenged in their performance skills from the very beginning using a number of instruments including voice, ukuleles, keyboards and drums. They are introduced to a variety of music and given opportunities to listen, compose and create.

Curriculum Map:

	HT1	HT2	HT3	HT4	HT5	HT6
Year 7	Baseline Assessment : Mahler Symphony No. 1	The Voice & Christmas Concert	Chromatics : Flight of the Bumblebee	African Drumming 1	Counting Songs	Ukulele
Year 8	Film Music	Baroque Music	Blues	African Drumming 2	Pop Music: Decades	Pop Music: Decades & Songwriting

Students receive 1 hour per week at KS3.

GCSE Music

At KS4 we run the AQA GCSE Music course. The course provides an opportunity to develop and apply musical knowledge and skills through a wide variety of genres with an emphasis on practical music-making. The subject content is divided into three components: Understanding Music (40%), Performing Music (30%) and Composing Music (30%).

AQA website and GCSE Music specification:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/music/gcse/music-8271>

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BBC Bitesize website (Music): <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zpf3cdm>

General Music revision/quiz: <https://yacapaca.com/resources/gcse-music/aqa-gcse-music/0/>

General Music Listening Tests: <https://www.youtube.com/user/QKSMusic>

Relevant selected works for listening and analysis:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/RhinegoldEducation>

Post 16 students will be able to move on to A-Level music and/or music technology. From there they may wish to access a plethora of degree courses relating to everything from classical music to jazz, pop, folk, studio engineering and electronic music. Both music and music technology are useful in many career pathways and this GCSE course is an ideal starting point for those considering a career in music.

Instrumental Tuition

York Music Service is the primary provider of tuition at Vale of York offering instrumental and vocal lessons for all ages and abilities on a wide range of instruments including voice. Lessons take place during the school day on a rotation and can be differing lengths dependant on need. Financial assistance may be offered in certain circumstances.

All students continuing music at GCSE level are advised to seek instrumental or vocal tuition to assist with the 30% performance coursework.

Speak to Mrs Brady for further information or visit <http://www.yorkmusicservice.co.uk/>

Extra Curricular

[At present there is a School Band and a Choir which are available to all students. A lunchtime music pass enables students to access the music department for support, practice and rehearsal time.](#)

[A programme of concerts and a Musical is planned for 2017-18 \(see school calendar for further details\).](#)