

**Music****YEAR 9**

Lesson(s) per week

1

Homework per week

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In Year 9, students at Graveney study harmony in the autumn term, which enables them to create their own "Pop Songs" using appropriate chord progressions. In the summer term, they study Music in the Media, which focuses on the use of music in film, TV advertising, and as political propaganda. To demonstrate their understanding, students create their own music to accompany a choice of film clips.

In the summer term, students study a range of "Key Works", from the Baroque to 20th Century music, including jazz and world music. This provides all students with an overview of all they have learned in KS3 Music, and an appreciation of important works and composers from the past. These key works also feed into the GCSE Music syllabus, for those who have chosen to continue the subject at KS4.

Assessment

Students are assessed in individual performance, paired composition work, and through Listening and Understanding written assessments at the end of each unit of work.

Books/other/materials/visits

Students are issued with a Music Folder when they arrive at Graveney, to which they add work completed throughout their three years in Music at KS3. There is also a range of other annual trips and visits: please see Music Matters, our termly newsletter, for more details.

What help can be given at home?

At Graveney we expect the vast majority of our students to become involved in extra-curricular music. Students in Year 9 qualify for Senior Choir, and are therefore able to join us on the annual Senior Choir trip.