

A Level Music

Key Stage 5 Courses

At Key Stage 5 the department offers the Eduqas A Level Music qualification. The course comprises of Performing, Composing and Appraising. Students are assessed by a visiting examiner for their solo performance recital in Year 13, composition coursework throughout Year 12 and 13, and a listening and written examination at the end of Year 13.

Instrumental tuition:

Tuition is currently offered on piano, all strings, all brass, flute, clarinet, saxophone, electric bass, acoustic and electric guitar, drum kit, harp and vocals. Approximately 80 pupils currently benefit from peripatetic lessons.

Facilities and Resources

The department is housed in a self-contained area of the Lower School building and comprises:

One general class teaching room (PA1)

One designated music keyboard room/ IT Suite (PA2)

Four individual practice rooms

Activities

Department lunchtime activities are inclusive and open to all and the department facilities are available for pupil generated musical activities, including rock bands and singing.

Current lunchtime clubs: Choir, Musical Theatre Club, Jazz Group, Rock Band, Samba Club, String Group.

Performance opportunities:

Annual Musical Production (November)

Nottinghamshire Music Hub Christmas Concert at the Royal Concert Hall (December)

The GCSE/ A Level Concert (February), showcasing GCSE/A Level music students

The Summer Concert (July) – whole school

A level Music students are encouraged to experience a variety of live Music on regular school trips to concerts in Nottingham as well as the annual London residential trip.

