

SUBJECT BTEC Level 2 First Award in Music	YEAR 10 & 11
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT Mr J Andrews	
GROUPING POLICY Mixed ability in option blocks	
EXAM BOARD Pearson	
ASSESSMENT: 25% External Examination; 75% Coursework	
Link to Specification: https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-firsts/music-2013-nqf.html	
COURSE CONTENT <u>What will my child learn?</u> The areas covered as part of the BTEC qualification include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Music Industry (external written 1 hour exam) Studied throughout the duration of the course ● Performing There are two assignments in year 10 ● Producing a Recording/composition There are two assignments in year 11 ● Managing a musical product This is a group project completed in the second term of year 11 and includes a day trip to Liverpool 	
What will homework look like? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Practising an instrument or voice ● Research or written based activities ● ICT e.g. designing a Facebook page, creating a CD cover 	
What enrichment opportunities are available? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Playing in a band ● Recording in a studio ● Swing Band ● Orchestra ● Ensembles ● Concerts at school and within the local community ● Work experience in the music industry ● Guest speakers/practitioners from within the music industry 	

ASSESSMENT

How will my child's work be assessed?

Level 1 Pass or Level 2 Pass/Merit/Distinction grading awarded after work has been submitted. In addition, there will be formative written feedback earlier on during the assessment period to guide and support learners in the development of their skills.

There is one external examination in Year 11 which assesses the content of Unit 1 – The Musical Industry (60 mins).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Students are strongly encouraged to work towards external performance/theory exams.

How can I support my child in this subject?

- Encourage them with their practice schedule.
- Attend the concerts
- Read through rehearsal logs and other written assignments
- Visit a recording studio

How can I support my child with exams?

There is only a 1 hour written exam on the Music Industry in term 3 of Year 11. Encourage your child to revise for this exam and support them with their use of literacy.