Performing Arts **KS4 Music Technology Curriculum Plan (2025-)**

Year 10 Music Technology

Autumn → Spring → Summer →

Content Area 1
(runs concurrently across Year 10, delivered by second teacher)

- Introduction to music technology
- Roles & responsibilities in the music business
- Development of music technology over time

Content Area 2
- Using the digital audio workstation (DAW): Ableton Live
- Hardware and software
- Configuring and developing a DAW project
- Health and safety & risk assessment

Content Area 3
- Form, structure, rhythm, melody and harmony in music technology
- Acoustic and electric instruments
- Case studies of 10 musical genres

Content Area 4
- Sound creation: effects and synthesis
- Music technology in media
- Dialogue, voiceover and environmental sound

Assessment:
- Keyword quizzes and knowledge checks throughout the term
- 'Mini NEA' in December

Assessment:
- End of Content Area 2 exam-style assessment in January
- Keyword quizzes and knowledge checks throughout the term

Assessment:
- Keyword quizzes and knowledge checks throughout the term
- Year 10 Progress Exam (June/July)

Year 11 Music Technology

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Content Area 5
- Multitrack recording
- Planning for a recording session
- Microphone types
- Health and safety & risk assessment

Delivery of Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) - 60%

Preparation for written exam

Assessment:
- Keyword quizzes and knowledge checks throughout the term
- Mock NEA in December

Assessment:
- Mock written exam - March

Assessment:
- Written exam - June (40%)