

# Ravens Wood School

## KS5 Music Academy Provision Map



**Subject: Music Academy**

Overarching Topic: Performance and general musicianship		
Why is this topic being studied at this time?	<p>Developing the love of performing and learning to behave like a professional musician is the purpose of the Sixth Form Music Academy. The group is aimed at musicians who have reached the upper grades on their instrument/voice and/or who are studying one of the A Level courses (Music or Music Technology).</p> <p>Members of the Music Academy audition and have a short interview with the Head of Music to demonstrate their technical ability and share their aspirations. The Music Academy offers students the opportunity to perform without assessment on many occasions throughout the school year, focusing on performance presence, ensemble skills, musicianship and professionalism.</p> <p>The Music Academy is a dynamic group that changes yearly depending on the instrumental/vocal abilities and interests of the group. Students are encouraged to try 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> instruments, explore genres of music that are new to them and everyone sings. Repertoire performed by the Music Academy is chosen by the Music department staff and Academy members; pieces performed are both for specific purposes across the school year and to express the creative identities of the players.</p> <p>The Music Academy has scope for students to develop deeper musicianship skills such as arranging, transcribing, conducting, composing or coaching, all of which are encouraged. Weekly Enrichment, occasional workshops, masterclasses and termly trips are woven into the Music Academy calendar so students connect with professional musicians and experience a broad range of music in a professional setting.</p>	
	Compulsory	Desirable
<b>The Criteria/ Expectations</b> (what students have to do to participate)	<p>Academy members will attend 3 x Week rehearsals which are timetabled, perform in Assembly at least once in an academic year (depending on numbers in the Academy), participate in wider Music Enrichment either through being part of at least one weekly group or leading/supporting/coaching a weekly group, lead in delivering all Whole School Concerts and events and model to and inspire younger students by participating in instrumental showcases depending on specialism(s).</p> <p>Academy members will willingly participate in Whole School and Music events – an events calendar will be shared at the very start of September:</p> <p>Open Day (September), Prize Day (September), Sixth Form Open Evening (November), Christmas concerts &amp; carol singing, Spring concert, Performing Arts Awards, Summer concert, various instrumental showcases.</p> <p><b>Failure to attend form time, Academy rehearsals, concerts or wider Music enrichment will result in removal from the Music Academy and its performance opportunities.</b></p>	<p>Drive to make arrangements, compose, conduct, lead rehearsals and coach younger students.</p> <p>Principals of the Academy will be committed musicians who support the Music Department and seek out performance opportunities wherever they can.</p>