


Music				
Exam Board:	Cambridge International	Syllabus Code:	0410	
<b>Course outline:</b>				
The Cambridge IGCSE Music course will develop students’ understanding of how music is created through performing, composing, listening and appraising. These elements provide a means through which the students will examine a wide variety of musical traditions and styles from around the world. The course will enable students to develop their performing and composition skills in a supportive and nurturing environment, collaborating with their peers in the production of two performances and compositions. The course will aim to develop students’ theoretical knowledge of music and prepare them to apply these skills to all aspects of their assessment within the course.				
<b>Course assessment:</b>				
At IGCSE Music, there are three main assessments across the two years that involve performing, listening and composing.				
<b>1) Listening Exam                      70 marks                      40%</b>				
This is a 1 hour 15 minutes paper based on different musical styles and areas of study. This will be completed as an exam in June 2023.				
<b>2) Performing coursework    50 marks                      30%</b>				
Students will prepare two performances, one solo and one ensemble, performed on any instrument or voice. These will be recorded and submitted to Cambridge for moderation in May 2023.				
<b>3) Composing coursework    50 marks                      30%</b>				
Students will create two contrasting compositions in any style appropriate to the students’ musical interests. These compositions will be completed at the end of Year 10 and start of Year 11 and submitted in May 2023				
<b>60% of the course is coursework based and 40% is listening. This offers students lots of practical opportunities.</b>				
<b>What qualities do I need to take this subject?</b>				
Embarking on any GCSE course is a big commitment, but particularly with a Music course. There are going to be lots of challenges, along with exciting opportunities to develop yourself as a musician. If you are practically minded, hands on, creative and open to new ideas, then IGCSE Music is the subject for you. Come and find out more at the Music stall on Pathways evening.				
<b>What can this course lead to?</b>				
The IGCSE Music course provides students with a great platform to further develop practical musical skills. Universities and employers really value students who have wider skills such as music and the course has many different pathways post GCSE. Previous students have gone on to study popular music courses at some of the country’s leading Music Colleges. Students have also used the skills they have learnt through GCSE music to contribute to music ensembles and pursue music courses at degree level. Music is a fantastic facilitating subject.				