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Academy curriculum intent: To provide EVERY student the opportunity to acquire academic excellence and those skills, qualities and experiences that develop well-rounded, successful and happy members of modern society.

- A 5 Year curriculum design approach for most subjects providing a logically sequenced educational journey.
- We follow the full National Curriculum at Key Stage 3 (KS3) to give our students the broadest and best start to their secondary education.
- We believe in personalisation and choice, so we offer one of the broadest ranges of KS4 GCSE option subjects in the Borough.
- Students are encouraged, but not forced to take EBacc subjects, resulting in significantly more students choosing these subjects, compared to National average.
- Knowledge and skill acquisition are key.
- We have a 'Teach to the Top' mantra, where challenge is always present and differentiation ensures all students have the scaffolding and support to 'Access the Top'
- EVERY student has access to the full ambitious curriculum. We do not reduce, narrow or restrict the curriculum for any learners.
- We pride ourselves on an extremely rich 'wider curriculum' including extracurricular; electives; trips and visits; values; oracy to increase our students' 'Cultural Capital'
- We base our curriculum design and implementation on proven educational research methods.

Subject Curriculum Intent:

Wixams Academy will provide experiences, both within curricular and extra-curricular time where students will be encouraged to grow in confidence as musicians, music makers and creators. The curriculum will aim to put performance, creativity and excellence at the heart of the pupils' experiences; it is our aim that the enthusiasm cultivated in our engaging and practical curriculum lessons will lead to students becoming inquisitive about musical styles less familiar to them. They will learn about the great composers and an array of genres, styles and traditions involving music in the Western world and other cultures too. We will ensure that the performance element of the course is fully inclusive towards stretching our most able students as well as providing structure and accessibility to our less able students to raise their self-esteem and ensure enjoyment. Students will specialise in a musical instrument of their choice in KS3. Opportunities provided in the Academy's already strongly established extra-curricular music sessions throughout the year will play a central role in harnessing this overarching aim.



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	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
	INTRODUCE	DEVELOP	EMBED	SECURE
	Year 7 will introduce	Year 8 will develop the core	Year 9 will embed key	Year 10 will secure
	students to key	skills introduced in year 7,	knowledge so that it is firmly	knowledge so that it can
	terminology, concepts and	placing greater emphasis on	fixed in the long term	recalled, explored and bu
	core skills needed to have	developing depth and	memory. In music we	upon with ease. In musi
Aim	success in this subject. In	understanding around key	explore the music of four	we further explore the
	music we teach keyboard	knowledge. In music, we	areas of study, including	music of the four areas of
	skills where student learn	develop the confidence and	Rhythms of the World, Film	study, with increased
	technique, staff notation	knowledge of the piano	music, Conventions of Pop	opportunity to apply
	and keyboard geography	keyboard by introducing	and the Concerto Through	knowledge to exam styl
	for performing; students	students to chords	Time. Students also develop	questions. During this year
	learn to sing confidently	(harmony) and offbeat use	further their performance	students also develop
	and with correct posture;	of rhythm in reggae music.	skills, moving closer to the	further their performance
		This knowledge will then be	advanced level that is	skills, moving closer to the
		used to improvise and	required for GCSE	advanced level that is
		compose.	Performance. Learners with	required for GCSE
			limited prior experience	Performance. Leaners
			playing an instrument are	developing their sequence
			supported to develop their	skills shall learn parts o
			sequencing skill using a	increasing demand for
			digital audio workstation.	recording live into a digit
				audio workstation (DAW



Year 11 MASTER Year 11 will demonstrate mastery in the subject 1 be knowledge, making built connections with other sic, topics/subjects and e of applying it to different contexts. In music, we ensure secure understanding of the music vle of the four areas of study, ear, with regular opportunity to apply knowledge to exam nce style questions and review the their results. During this year, students also reach the park of their GCSE performance level to be at cing the standard level that is of required for GCSE **Performance.** Leaners tal W). developing their sequencing skills shall finalise their ensemble sequenced performance, where they live record more than one of the parts (DAW).

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	C is to the left of the two	Offbeat: A study of reggae	Conventions of Pop	Concerto Through Tir
	black keys.	music	Some knowledge of pop and	Some understanding
Unit 1	Some students have had	Knowledge of the keyboard,	other music of the last half	basic instruments of t
	some experience of	including middle C and	century and beyond;	orchestra such as viol
	keyboards through piano	appropriate fingering.	understanding of the	trumpet etc. Previous l
	lessons and whole class	Teacher assessed.	instrument in which they	Sonority City. Y8
	teaching.	Perform, listen to, review	have chosen to specialise	Teacher Assessed
	Teacher assessment of the	and evaluate music across a	(unless non-instrumentalist in	Perform with technic
	performance of a right hand	range of historical periods,	which case they may develop	control, expression a
	part of music.	genres, styles and traditions,	their singing or sequencing	interpretation; Compo
	Learn to sing and use their	including the works of the	skills (Music Tech)).	and develop musical ic
	voices to create and	great composers and	Teacher assessed	with technical control
	compose music on their own	musicians	A01	coherence; AO3
	and with others. Have the		Perform with technical	Demonstrate and app
	opportunity to learn a	Learn to sing and to use their	control, expression and	knowledge; AO4
	musical instrument. Use	voices, to create and	interpretation; Compose and	Use appraising skills
	technology appropriately	compose music on their own	develop musical ideas with	make evaluative and cr
	and have the opportunity	and with others, have the	technical control and	judgements about mu
	to progress to the next level	opportunity to learn a	coherence; AO3	History/Art – how th
	of musical excellence.	musical instrument, use	Demonstrate and apply	baroque period of hist
	Notes values connect to	technology appropriately	knowledge; AO4	compares to the subseq
	numeracy	and have the opportunity to	Use appraising skills to make	centuries, with regard t
		progress to the next level of	evaluative and critical	too.
		musical excellence.	judgements about music;	
		Geography/History – links to the Caribbean and cultural heritage and historical	History – link to African slave trade; how this brought	
		people.	around blues music, which	
			led to rock and roll.	



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s to critical usic; the story equent to art Conventions of Pop Broad understanding of the features of each era of popular music since the 50s. Teacher assessed AO1 Perform with technical control, expression and interpretation; Compose and develop musical ideas with technical control and coherence; AO3

Demonstrate and apply knowledge; AO4 Use appraising skills to make evaluative and critical judgements about music;

History – link to African slave trade; how this brought around blues music, which led to rock and roll.

Unit 1 knowledge and skills end points September to December	 Navigate basic keyboard functions Know correct posture, sitting and hand position Identify middle C and other notes on the keyboard Know correct fingering (1-5) Know appropriate warm-ups for the fingers Be able to read basic staff notation Be able to evaluate the success of their performance 	 Know the origins of Reggae Music Know famous artists from the genre of reggae Know the different textural layers of reggae Know that chords come from scales Know the notes of the primary chords and what they are Know what syncopation is Know key themes of reggae lyrics 	 Listening and appraising Know the subgenres of Rick 'n' Roll (50s/60s), Rock Anthems (70s/80s), Pop Ballads (70s/80s/90s) and music of solo artists (90s-present day). Become aware of the use of voices in popular music and begin to be able to identify these aurally in audio extracts. Know how voices and instruments interact within popular music know and understand the development of styles within popular music over time Begin to understand the variety and development of styles within popular music over time. Begin to be aware of the origins and the cultural context of the 	 Listening and appraisin Know the dates of the Baroque, Classical a Romantic Periods. Know suitable composers of these periods of history. Know and understate the markup of the orchestra in the Baroque period and how it developed through the Classica and Romantic period. Know and understate how the continuo ripieno, concertino concerto grosso) all work together as the soloists and orchest. Know and understate the role that ornamentation play decorating melody lines. Know how the elements of music a used in all three periods of concerto grosso
			the origins and the	



ing	Listening paper:
the	 Know and understand
and	and identify the use of
	voices aurally in audio
	extracts.
e	Know and understand
	the use of instruments
and	in popular music and
	changes and
	developments in
d	instrumentation over
	the decades.
al	 Know typical musical
od.	characteristics,
and	conversions and
	features of pop music
) (in	through the decades,
II	including rock and roll,
he	rock anthems, pop
stra.	ballads and music of
and	solo artists.
	 Know and understand
ys in	how composers of pop
	music and
	compositional devices
	such as instruments
are	and timbre.
	Know names of artisits
o;	and groups who
	composers and/or
า	performed each
	genre.
	 How song structure
	changed

 Know the importance of developing confidence on your instrument Know and understand how to play with good articulation and expression Composition: Develop confidence in using primary chords in any given key Understand the use of harmonic rhythm. Have an awareness of the structure of a pop song Develop a simple melody using stepwise (conjunct) movement and leaps (disjunct) Understand the use of and create their own riff eatures of a Digital Audio Workstation Understant the use of a pop song. Understant the use of and create their own riff eatures of a Digital Audio Workstation Understant the use of a pop song. Understant the use of and create their own riff eatures of a Digital Audio Workstation Understant the use of a pop song. Understant the use of and create their own riff eatures of a Digital Audio Workstation Using a given chemical control Understant the use of and create their own riff unchanged throug price of music (and create their own riff and create their own riff and		-		
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Experiment with methods in device			 any given key Understand the use of harmonic rhythm. Have an awareness of the structure of a pop song Develop a simple melody using stepwise (conjunct) movement and leaps (disjunct) Understand the use of and create their own riff Learn to use the basic features of a Digital Audio Workstation 	 Composition: Through an analysis a variety of styles, I at how composers simple chord sequences. Know how a chord sequence might develop through a piece of music; or indeed remain large unchanged through



and od f and ood on	 The historical and social context of the named genres of music. The growth of the popular music industry.
	Performing:
	Know and understand
wing	the meaning of good
thers	technical control of
as an	your instrument.
	 Continue to focus on
	accuracy of solo
	performance.
is of	Know and understand
look	how to play with good
use	or better articulation
	and expression;
	develop instrument
	specific skills
	 Nurture ensemble
	skills: listening; timing;
	communication;
gely hout	developing a sense of
nout	ensemble.
d	Composition:
	 Use the brief provided
ping	by OCR to improvise
. 0	and explore ideas

				 Know how to use a DAW to make use o multi-tracking Know how to build texture e.g. using strings/ bass notes/ counter-melody
	Singing	'I guess that's why they call it	Film Music	Film Music
	Students will have engaged	the blues'	A general experience of	A general experience o
Unit 2	in singing ensembles in	Knowledge of the keyboard,	music used in films and video	music used in films and
knowledge	primary school however it	including middle C; how to	games.	video games.
and skills	should be noted that during	construct chords. Contextual	Teacher assessed.	Teacher assessed.
end points	the pandemic this may have	understanding of the slave	Perform with technical	Perform with technica
	been hampered.	trade and how subsequent	control, expression and	control, expression and
	Teacher assessment of a	styles linked with African	interpretation; Compose and	interpretation; Compos
	vocal performance; teacher	rhythms.	develop musical ideas with	and develop musical ide
	assessment of short vocal	Teacher assessed	technical control and	with technical control a
	composition.	Perform, listen to, review	coherence; Demonstrate and	coherence; Demonstrat
	Learn to sing and to use	and evaluate music across a	apply knowledge; Use	and apply knowledge; U
	their voices, to create and	range of historical periods,	appraising skills to make	appraising skills to mak
	compose music on their own	genres, styles and traditions,	evaluative and critical	evaluative and critical
	and with others, have the	including the works of the	judgements about music	judgements about mus
	opportunity to learn a	great composers and	History – links to slave trade	Media studies – how mu
	musical instrument, use	musicians.	and how blues music	is used in film and vide
	technology appropriately		originated from the	game music to shape ar
	and have the opportunity	Learn to sing and to use their	plantations	enhance the experience
	to progress to the next level	voices, to create and		the intended audience
	of musical excellence.	compose music on their own		



	Know how to use
of	melodic idea and
	adapt/evolve
	and/amend
	throughout a
/	composition
	Understand how to
	formulate musical
	ideas in response to a
	story or photograph
	Choose brief and befin
	second composition.
	Concerto Through Time
of	Students will be familiar
d	with orchestral instruments
	from the work they in in KS3
	and Film Music
al	Teacher Assessed.
nd	Perform with technical
se	control, expression and
eas	interpretation; Compose
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Jse	coherence; Demonstrate
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uch	judgements about music
90	Links to history – art during
nd	the Baroque period;
for	Geography – countries
e.	where we Western-art
	music was created

	Perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians Demonstrating respect for others (when performing).	and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence. Geography/History – links to the Caribbean and cultural heritage and historical people.			
Unit 2 knowledge and skills end points Jan – April	 Know correct posture for singing Be able to breath effectively Use of good diction Know vocal warm=ups Know the role of the conductor Know how to follow a conductor's direction Be able to effectively take on the role of the conductor To use dynamics effectively Know about correct pitch Develop confidence potentially to sing solo To use vibrato to add expression to a vocal performance 	 Know what chords are used in blues Know what a walking bassline is Be able to play a walking bassline fluently To know the blues scale fluently To know the blues scale. Improvise using notes of the blues scale. Knowing what makes an effective Jazz improvisation Duet with one person playing 12 bar blues seventh chords and one improvising with a blues scale in C recognise the instruments used in blues 	 Listening paper: Know the purpose of Film music in movies and video games Know prominent film composers and their works Know and understand how film music is created Know how the musical elements can be manipulated to create different moods and enhance the scene of a film Know how orchestral scores can create a breadth of emotions and how orchestral timbres can be employed to do this. 	 Listening paper: Know the purpose of film music Know the function and use of leitmotif in films Know and understand how composers create music to support, enhance and compliment a mood, emotion, character or action on screen. Know how composers use music dramatically and expressively through a variety of musical elements and compositional devices for example through pitch and melody. Know and understand the use of diegetic and non-diegetic music. 	 Listening and appraising Be confident in the knowledge of a Baroque Solo Concerto' Solo Concerto; Classical Concerto; Romantic Concerto, Romantic Concerto. Know how instruments of the orchestra and th e orchestra itself developed over the Baroque, Classcal and Romantic time periods. Be able to identify the key instruments of the orchestra when hearing an extract. Know the role of the soloist(s).



 Know what swing rhythms are 	Know some prominent composers of video	 Know how much has developed through 	 Know the relationship between the soloist
 Knowing and understanding seventh 	game music.	both film and video game music.know the	and the orchestral accompaniment.
chords	 Performing: Know and understand the meaning of good technical control of your instrument. Know and understand an onward looking rehearsal schedule in order to promote good or better articulation and expression 	 names of composers for music for film and video games. Performing: Demonstrate continued development of good technical control of your instrument. Demonstrate continued 	 Be able to describe the music of the accompaniment or the soloist. Be able to identify the missing notes of part of a melody aurally. Know and be able to identify signs and symbols within a musical score. Compare and contract
	Composition: Develop a simple composition (instrumental) with an ABA structure Include the following: Different instruments to create texture Sequences Stepwise movement and leaps 	 development of how to play with good or better articulation and expression. Knowing and recognising the importance of showing an awareness of others when performing as an ensemble. Composition: 	 sections of music accurately. Performing: Continued developed of understanding the meaning of good technical control of your instrument. Continued developed of understand how to play with good or
	 Primary chords Some secondary chords Keeping the ideas simple ensuring 	 Develop confidence in using the primary chords Understand how a pop song is structured and 	 better articulation and expression Continued developed of recognising the importance of



			the elements of music are used.	create their own structure plan Develop a simple melody Record the parts using a DAW Review and appraise the result	 showing an awareness of others when performing as an ensemble. Composition: Use knowledge and understanding of listening examples to refine compositional ideas Be able to listen to and evaluate the sound of a composition/section using key terminology. Recap and develop further the use of chords, melody, harmony, bass parts etc.
Unit 3	Sonority City No prior experience of the orchestra needed, however students may have heard of an orchestra and the instruments within it. Teacher assessed. Understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related	African Drumming Knowledge and understanding of Africa as a continent and the countries within it. Teacher assessed. Perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the	Concerto Through Time Some understanding of basic instruments of the orchestra such as violin, trumpet etc. Teacher Assessed Perform with technical control, expression and interpretation; Compose and develop musical ideas with technical control and coherence; AO3	Rhythms of the World Students will need to recap on the knowledge of world regions, features of the different styles, names of artists and names and uses of the different instrumentation used throughout the different areas of study. Teacher Assessed	Exam revision in preparation for Listening Exam in June



dimensions: pitch, duration,	great composers and	Demonstrate and apply	Perform with technical
dynamics, tempo, timbre,	musicians.	knowledge; AO4	control, expression and
texture, structure and		Use appraising skills to make	interpretation; Compose
appropriate musical		evaluative and critical	and develop musical ideas
notations.		judgements about music;	with technical control and
Identification of instrument		History/Art – how the	coherence; AO3
timbres; use of descriptive		baroque period of history	Demonstrate and apply
words for describing these		compares to the subsequent	knowledge; AO4
sounds.		centuries, with regard to art	Use appraising skills to
		too.	make evaluative and critical
			judgements about music
			Links to Geography –
			learning about cultures
			around the world, including
			Africa and the Caribbean.



 and skills Know what sonority/timbre mean (same meaning), along with other relevant elements. Know the groups of orchestral instruments. Know the different instruments within each group. Know the role of the conductor. Know how instruments produce sound. Know how to use the keyboard to make sounds. And skills Know what sonority/timbre mean (same meaning), along with other relevant elements. Know the groups of orchestral instruments within each group. Know how instruments produce sound. Know how to use the keyboard to make sounds. Anow how instruments produce sound. Know how to use the keyboard to make sounds. Anow how instruments produce sound. Know how instruments produce sound. Know how to use the keyboard to make sounds. Anow how instruments produce sound. Know how to use the keyboard to make sounds. Anow and the role the ornament Know and the role the ornament 	 dates of the Classical and Periods. composers of iods of history. l understand up of the in the beriod, and veloped he classical d Romantic understand context of the traditional music. Know the origins and context of the traditional music. Know the origins and context of the traditional music. Know the musical characteristics of the folk music Know the impact of modern technology traditional music Know the names of performers and grout Now ways in which pat ration plays in g melody lines
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	 Make connections between African musical instruments and those available within the classroom Compose and accurately record own rhythm, with some syncopation, performing it individually and as part of a group polyrhythmic texture Recognise and identify more complex features of African music such as syncopation and polyrhythm when listening and use these features as part of a larger African- inspired group composition. 	 technical control of your instrument. Know and understand how to play with good or better articulation and expression Knowing and recognising the importance of showing an awareness of others when performing as an ensemble. Composition: Create a simple 2 minute pop song using: Intro, verse, chorus, verse, outro Use word painting over some lyrics Learn how to fit a melody with lyrics Use instruments rhythmically to enhance energy and drive Develop an understanding of how to form an appropriate melodic shape for the voice e.g. careful use of leaps etc. 	 Knowing and recognising the importance of show an awareness of oth when performing as ensemble. Composition: Know how to create polyrhythms in order to build texture Refine ability to construct a melody over top of chords Use inversions of chords Use cadences to bri phrases to a close Understand how to repeat a section of music e.g. ABA with slight variations to a interest. Understand how to use quantise to refi accuracy of music



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