

MUSIC

Music at Eggescliffe is outstanding both in, and outside, the classroom

COURSE DETAILS

A Level

WJEC A660

Music GCSE Grade 5 or higher
or Music Theory or Practical Instrument at
ABRSM Grade 5 or higher

With an emphasis on musicality and practical music making our students will develop an in-depth knowledge of musical elements, contexts and language.

The Music A level is 60% performance/ composition coursework, and you can weight your grade 35%/25% in favour of either performance or composition depending on what you feel is your strength.

As a performer you will receive tremendous support, including 1:1 weekly sessions to progress your performance skills either with a highly skilled piano accompanist and tutor, or within a 'band' context.

We also have a very wide range of ensembles that run after school each evening. We strongly encourage students to get involved in this dimension of the department as we have recently performed some amazing concerts at Sage Gateshead, Durham and York Cathedrals, amongst others.

In class we learn a great deal about how music works, and then apply that to our compositions. Students compose using instruments, Sibelius/ MuseScore, or Logic audio in our project studios.

The exam is predominantly a listening exam, so we practice listening skills a lot. We will teach you how to hear, understand, read and analyse the music of any genre.

We have a superb record of moving students onto top conservatoires and university music courses, including Oxbridge and the Royal colleges.

