

MUSIC CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
1	 The Brownhills Songbook Singing: Introduction to ensemble singing Keyboard: Basic keyboard skills Listening: Dynamics, tempo & texture Composing: Writing chord progressions Note reading: Note values and the stave 		 Story of the Orchestra: Instruments of the Orchestra Singing: Introduction to part singing Keyboard: Accidentals, changing hand position Listening: Instruments of the orchestra Composing: Writing short melodic phrases Note reading: Working in G major & F major 		 World Music Singing: A capella ensemble singing Keyboard: Ostinato, syncopation & polyrhythm Listening: Stylistic features of world music. Composition: Rhythmic improvisation & layering Note reading: Reading complex rhythms 	
8	 The Brownhills Songbook Singing: Style, phrasing & contrast Keyboard: Using chordal accompaniment Listening: Dynamics, tempo & texture Composing: Developing chordal accompaniment Note reading: Working with different metre & tempo 		 Story of the Orchestra: Eras of Music Singing: More complex technique & choral music Keyboard: More complex melodies from different eras Listening: Features in Western Classical Tradition Composing: Melodic, rhythmic & harmonic variation Note reading: Working in compound time 		 Musical Theatre Singing: Acting through song Keyboard: Playing to accompany vocalists Listening: Elements and compositional intention Composing: Writing underscore to a brief Note reading: Reading vocal music in parts 	
9	 The Brownhills Songbook Singing: Singing complex popular music, stylistically Keyboard: Playing in different keys in an ensemble Listening: Recognising fingerprints of different genres Composing: Range of chords and rhythm vitality Note reading: BPM & triplet rhythms 		 Story of the Orchestra: Descriptive Music Singing: Blending & advanced choral work Keyboard: Independent movement with two hands Listening: Describing musical features and intention Composing: Composing to a brief Note reading: Irregular time signature 		 Jazz & Blues Singing: Stylistic jazz singing in fusion music Keyboard: Using blues scales & 7th chords Listening: Stylistic features of jazz, blues & fusion Composing: Composing 12-bar blues Note reading: Using chords to improvise 	
10	Language of Music Dynamics Rhythm & tempo Melody Instrumentation & texture Harmony & Tonality 		 Working From Score Time signatures & note values Intervals & melodic shape Key signatures Chord recognition Cadences 		 Popular Music Africa – Toto Popular song form Stylistic features of pop Pop instrumentation Chord progressions 	
11	Musical Forms & Devices • Badinerie – Bach • Melodic & harmonic devices • Baroque music • Classical music • Romantic music		 Ensemble Music & Film Music Texture & sonority Film music Musical theatre Jazz & Blues Chamber music 			