

# CAREERS INFORMATION



# OTHER INFORMATION

STAFF Mrs Z Hall

## MUSIC INSTRUCTORS

Mrs I John - Percussion  
Mrs C Bell - Woodwind  
Mr F Oddo - Brass  
Mr P Holroyd - Guitar  
Mr D Watt - Piano/keyboard  
Mr G John - Cello  
Mrs A Ralston - Violin/Viola

TRIPS Pupils are sometimes given the opportunity to go and see musical performances / concerts and to take part in workshops.

# Music

## Music Performing National 4



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## Career Areas

- Performing Arts
- Teaching
- Music Therapy
- Sound Engineering
- Primary Teacher
- Music Instructor

Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.

# COURSE INFORMATION

## Why Music?

Music gives you the opportunity to use your imagination and express yourself in a creative and practical way. It helps you to develop skills such as: playing a musical instrument, communication, creative thinking, using your voice, composing and arranging music. It is particularly suitable if you would like to perform and create music, while developing your understanding of music styles and concepts.

## Course Outline

Music is a practical, hands-on subject that develops your creativity and imagination, and your musical skills. You will have the opportunity to perform a variety of music in solo and/or group settings using your voice or your chosen instrument(s). You will also develop your skills in composing, arranging and improvising music, and learn about the social and cultural factors that influence music.

The course has **three** compulsory units, plus an **added value** unit that assess your practical skills.

### Music: Performing Skills

In this unit you will:

- develop your performing skills on two selected instruments, or on one selected instrument and voice
- learn how to perform music accurately while maintaining the musical flow

### Music: Composing Skills

In this unit you will:

- experiment with and use compositional methods and music concepts in imaginative ways when creating your own music
- reflect on your own creative choices and decisions

and develop a basic understanding of how composers develop their ideas and create their music.

### Understanding Music

In this unit you will:

- develop your knowledge and understanding of a range of music concepts and music literacy
- learn how to identify the distinguishing features of specific music styles, and how to recognise music concepts in excerpts of music
- learn how to understand and recognise common music signs and symbols used in music notation.

### Added Value Unit: Music Performance

In this unit you will:

- prepare and perform a programme of music in a solo setting and/or as part of a group.

# ASSESSMENT

Your work will be assessed by your teacher on an ongoing basis throughout the course. The added value unit will be assessed through a performance of a programme of music.

You must pass all four units, including the added value unit, to gain the course qualification.

# PROGRESSION

Successful completion of this course may lead to:

- Music Performing National 5

# FURTHER COURSES IN TURRIFF ACADEMY

In S4/5/6:

[Music Performing National 5](#)

[Music Performing Higher](#)

**Music Performing Advanced Higher**

**Music Technology National 4**

**Music Technology National 5**