

MUSIC

PLEASE CONSULT: Mr R Mullin

TITLE OF SYLLABUS: Music

QUALIFICATION: BTEC Diploma in Music

GRADE RANGE: Pass – Distinction

WEIGHTING OF ASSESSMENT:

CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT: 75%

EXAMINATION: 25%

PREVIOUS A*-C (equivalent) EXAMINATION RESULTS: 2015 – 64%, 2014 – 100%, 2013 – 96%

Course Description:

The course offers students a chance to develop their performing, composing and listening skills as well as giving students an overview of employment opportunities within the music industry. Students have to complete four units, which are based on coursework, and an online exam to achieve the qualification. A number of written reports and research projects are also required. Several of the assessments take the form of public performances.

It is strongly recommended that students are able to read music and play an instrument before choosing to continue with this course.

Options or Topics for Study:

- The music industry;
- Planning and creating a musical product;
- Introducing musical performance;
- Introducing musical composition;
- Introducing music sequencing (Music Technology).

Homework:

Homework is set twice weekly with one piece related to completing practical coursework and the other related to research.

Resources and equipment needed:

In addition to the standard equipment required it is preferable for students to own an instrument.

Careers and Further Educational Opportunities:

Music is a creative and technical option. It links well to courses available at Southdowns' College, or an 'A' level in music, and careers as a sound engineer, professional musician or any career related to the Performing arts or entertainment industry.