



# Year 8 Music

## Summer 2 Music technology

In this Unit they will learn how to create their own beats. They will follow a series of tutorials that teach them how to create/form a piece of Horror film Music.



## Summer 1 African music

This unit explores the main rhythmic musical features and devices such as syncopation, polyrhythm, cyclic rhythm and call and response used in African music, particularly the African drumming tradition of West Africa.



## Spring 2 Blues Music

This unit develops pupil's understanding of the key musical features of Blues, exploring how chord patterns, walking bass and improvisation are used in Blues music.



## Spring 1 Singing

Students will understand how voices work and what their voices can do, This is done through a series of vocal activities encompassing singing in unison, in rounds, and culminating with students performing a whole class song in 3 part harmony.



## Autumn 1 Ukulele

Students will learn about the ukulele as an accompanying instrument to singing. They will learn to form a range of chords reading grid notation, playing sequences to accompany whole class singing and in small group work



## Autumn 2 Introduction to Guitar

Building on Unit 1 string instrumental skills, students explore the guitar, learning how to read TAB notation to play riffs and hooks as well as a repertoire of chords they can use in a band setting.

