



MUSIC CURRICULUM INTENT

Frederick Nietzsche “Without music, life would be a mistake”

It is impossible to imagine our life without music. It accompanies us through our lives. Music is a magical power that reflects human life and feelings. Like all beautiful things, it is eternal and immortal. Music lives in the smallest parts of the universe. Nature itself seems to bring it forth.

Our lives have their own soundtrack. Music connects to our mood and reflects chapters of our lives - love, loss, disappointment, success, joy.

Keith Richards “Music is a language that doesn’t speak in particular words. It speaks in emotions”

The Swanlea music curriculum intends to embed in students the skills in performing and creating music and the knowledge of evaluation and appreciation of different musical genres. Students will hone these skills and knowledge to excel as musicians, not only so they are able to succeed at KS4 and beyond but develop a confidence that will make them socially mobile and the patience to become resilient. Swanlea students will use a range of strategies to gain a broad and powerful musicianship. They learn to analyse, appraise, perform and create across a variety of genres including music of the great composers, reaching further and delving deeper into music that they would not normally be exposed to. Students will understand how to safely express themselves and develop effective group working skills whilst understanding and aligning with core British Values.