



MUSIC

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In the Music Department we provide opportunities for students to develop skills in performing, listening and composing music. Students are expected to be self-motivated in their approach to learning, and to practise their selected instruments regularly either in school or at home.

NATIONAL 4&5

In National 4 and National 5 Music, students will study a variety of musical styles through practical activities (listening, composing, performing) and develop performance skills on two instruments. The minimum standard for National 4 is Grade 2 (equivalent) and National 5 is Grade 3 (equivalent). National 5 students will perform to a visiting examiner, prepare a composition assignment and sit a final listening exam.



HIGHER & ADVANCED HIGHER

The course structure in Higher and Advanced Higher Music is the same as National 5, with the minimum level at Higher being Grade 4 (equivalent) and Advanced Higher Grade 5 (equivalent). Advanced Higher candidates also have to prepare an analytical commentary on selected pieces of music.

MUSIC BUSINESS

This course will provide an introduction to working in the areas of the music business and sound production. Due to the closely linked nature of these two subjects and their ongoing economic growth in the creative industries, the course provides an excellent opportunity to gain a grounding in this area of employment by taking part in projects involving the creation and marketing of musical products.



CAREER PATHWAYS

Event Management, Music Therapy, Arts Administration, Musical Instrument Technology, Performer, Composer, Promotions Management, Music Publishing, Teaching, Community Arts Music, Artist Management.

[More information is available here within our Senior School Course Choice Booklet](#)

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