NHSG Key Stage 3 Unit Overview for Year 8 – Spring Term



Scheme of Learning	West African Music Traditions
Learning Outcome	 Ensemble Skills: You will take part in class singing and their first group performance Note Reading: You will read complex rhythms and perform individual parts from Opposite People Arrangement skills: You will learn how to arrange a song Writing Skills: You will write reflections during their practice Listening Skills: You will listen to and analyse Afrobeat music. Performance skills: You will perform your arranged version of 'Opposite People' and sing 'Soualle'
Key Question	Why is it important to study music from other parts of the world?
Knowledge	Knowledge and skills: See box one Key Terminology: Syncopation Cross Rhythm Polyrhythm Intree Part Instruments such as claves, glockenspiel, tambourine, shaker, bass guitar, etc. Soprano Alto
Ongoing Assessment	You will reflect on your performance using success criteria every few lessons. You will complete mini performances with student/teacher feedback in the second half of term. Homework:
	Listening tests on Focus on Sound





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 You will perform individually, or in pairs. You will receive verbal feedback and have the opportunity to play to your teacher before your final assessment. You will receive full feedback after your final performance. You will receive an individual mark.
2. You will also submit a BandLab project completed with a partner/individually. This will be your own arranged version of Opposite People with added parts/improvisation.
3. You will sing in a group of six (three-part harmony)
These assessments will take place over a number of weeks, not at the same time.
 Introduction to the continent of Africa and countries from West Africa
Opposite People- Fela Kuti and Afrobeat as a genre
Soualle- three-part singing
Music of Sona Jobarteh- female kora virtuoso
Opposite People- performance of individual parts
 Opposite People – BandLab Project (arranging task)
Songwriter, Performer, Composer, Arranger, Ethnomusicologist

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Diversity and Inclusion	You will study music from West Africa, there will be a range of songs including the music of Fela Kuti and Sona Jobarteh. We will also learn the difference between Afrobeat and Afrobeats.
Support	
	Differentiated scores of 'Opposite People'
Challenge	Listening Diary Entries
	Ethnomusicology – Discussion and Research