Extra-Curricular Opportunities in Music for A Level Music Students

Rock Band Ensemble Steel Pan Band Schola Cantorum Music Theory Club Pop Choir Guitar Ensemble Concert opportunities every term and opportunities to perform in assembly and in the local community



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# A LEVEL MUSIC TECHNOLOGY



A Level Music Technology is a music course which follows on from the GCSE course in Music. It focuses on the industry standard skills of Sequencing, Recording, Mixing, Mastering and Sound Design



This course is perfect for students who are interested in understanding the modern day applications of Music Technology which plays a huge part in the current media dominated culture. The following roles require a grounding in Music Technology; sound engineer, record producer, many roles working in the visual or sound media, sound designer, live sound engineer, and many more.

This course also compliments A Level Music for students who want to study both straight music course and one with a more technology based focused. The basic requirements are Maths and English at GCSE and some understanding of computers, a GCSE in ICT would be beneficial, as would some music theory understanding but neither are essential.

Students will work through 4 components; Recording, Technology-based composition, Listening and analysing exam, Producing and analysing exam. Individual music lessons and a supporting Music theory club will also be offered to students taking A Level Music Technology.

## A LEVEL TECHNOLOGY MUSIC AT NEWMAN COLLEGE

A Level Music Technology provides students with an understanding of both the theory and history of Music Technology and its practical modern day applications. Pupils will learn to sequence, record and arrange using up to date, professional standard technology. This course will utilise the newly refurbished Newman Studio equipped with a powerful Mac computer and Logic X.

### SEQUENCE

To sequence a piece of music is to take the score and input it into a computer so that it is played back accurately and with human performance features. Sequencing is an essential skill for any professional musician or anyone work in related music industries. Students will gain familiarity with Logic X and Sibelius which are industry standard software,

### RECORD

Students will learn to record and engineer to a professional standard. Here at Newman we can provide professional recording facilities in our updated Newman College Studio. Students will be using both condenser and dynamic microphones, studying mic placement and learning how to mix sounds using industry standard software processing and effects.

#### ARRANGE

Arranging is another word for remixing which is also a very important skill. Music is flexible and changeable, and needs to be manipulated to suit different purposes. Here students will learn how to take a piece of music and give it the musical features of a specific genre





Microphone

Sound Card





Live Sound

Computer

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PA System

USB controller