



## **A-Level Music**

<b>Exam Board:</b>	Edexcel
<b>Preferred Entry Requirements:</b>	GCSE Grades A*-C in Music
<b>Coursework:</b>	<p>30% - Students will develop their composition skills leading to the creation of a three-minute piece in response to a chosen brief. Students also write a CD sleeve note to describe aspects of their final composition and explain how other pieces of music have influenced it.</p> <p>30% - Students will also perform as soloists and/or as part of an ensemble.</p>
<b>Examination:</b>	40% - Students will sit a two hour exam on set works from the anthology provided by Edexcel. In the exam, the focus for the first two sections requires them to listen and study scores.
<b>Is this the right course for me?</b>	This course would suit someone who plays a musical instrument to a Grade 5 standard. The composition element requires creative and innovative skills to write a successful piece of music. Finally the exam demands a high level of analytical skills; students need to be able to listen to music and take it apart, identifying and using musical terms to discuss the key features. The course is aimed at someone who would like to pursue a career in music.

For further information please talk to **Miss R Bains or Mr A Richards**

