

**KS3 UNIT OVERVIEW**  
**Theory**

***HURST LODGE: MUSIC DEPARTMENT***

***AUTUMN TERM***

***SPRING TERM***

***SUMMER TERM***

**YEAR 7**

Elements of Music  
Rhythmic Notation  
The Stave, Bar Lines, Clefs.  
Percussion Section of the Orchestra  
Drum Score/Drum Kit

Notation – treble, bass, alto and tenor  
Time Signatures  
Rests  
Ostinato  
Music of China/Bali  
Pentatonic Scale  
Renaissance Period  
Drone  
Melody  
String Section of Orchestra

Dynamics  
Music of Africa  
Calypso  
Terms & Meanings  
Other historical periods

**YEAR 8**

Recap of Theory in Yr 7 including notation, clefs, bar lines, rests, time signatures.  
Chords  
Notes on Keyboard (sharps / flats)  
Semitones and tones - scales  
Synthesisers & keyed instruments  
Accompaniment styles

Tones & Semitones (further work leading to)  
Key signatures  
Scales  
Woodwind Section of the Orchestra  
Programme Music and Romantic period.  
Intervals  
  
More work on note lengths, note names, bar lines, time signatures including compound time, rests and dynamics.

Classical Period  
Brass Section of the Orchestra  
Form / Structures

**Extra theory**

Recap Yr 7 & 8 work  
Bass Clef – further work  
Film Music  
The Orchestra

Music of the Twentieth Century  
Intervals – further work

Music & Technology - terminology  
Musicals