

The Music Department

This post, from September 2025, presents an opportunity to join a successful department and school proud of its innovative culture and professional development opportunities. The successful candidate will demonstrate excellent subject knowledge up to and including KS5, and will be able to interest and engage learners in all key stages through a range of practical approaches to teaching and learning.

The Music Department comprises one other full time member of teaching staff, Emma Luing-Holmes, who also oversees the close links we have with our Drama and Art Departments. The Creative Arts team work together on school wide projects and productions as well as running a range of visits, trips and experiences over the year.

Music is taught discretely for one hour per week in Years 7 and 8. The number of students choosing to take Music GCSE in Years 9 – 11 has significantly increased in recent years, such that we now have a healthy number of students taking A level Music (currently totalling 14 students).

The examination boards we are currently using are OCR J536 at GCSE and Eduqas A660 for A Level.

Performance and creativity are at the core of the school's vision and in Music we have a thriving extra-curricular programme incorporating the whole range of genres with orchestra, choir, jazz ensemble, string ensemble, soul band, rock groups etc led by DHSB and peripatetic staff.

We stage an annual musical show - last year this was Les Miserables and this year we are looking forward to Into the Woods in March.

For an informal discussion with Dan Roberts, Headteacher, please contact Sarah Nicholson, Head's PA, at sarah.nicholson@dhsb.org or 01752 208787.