



Characteristics of a more able and talented music student:

- ★ Musical, creative response to composition
- ★ The ability to sing or play a musical instrument to a high standard
- ★ The ability to play or sing well as part of an ensemble
- ★ Responding fully to feedback and advice from teachers
- ★ Being self-motivated in their work and work well independently
- ★ Excellent Music appraising skills with a very good awareness of musical styles
- ★ Excellent, Music aural skills; sometimes perfect pitch
- ★ Proactive interest in composers and other musicians
- ★ Asking detailed questions that show an inquisitive mind.

How we support more able and talented students:

- ★ Differentiated worksheets, higher level music provided in lessons
- ★ Offering extra- curricular opportunities in music
- ★ Taking time to offer detailed feedback and offer new challenges if they have completed the work set.
- ★ Effective targeted questioning and modelling to push them
- ★ Have higher expectations of independent work and learning
- ★ Providing opportunities to perform
- ★ Provide opportunities to take students to live concerts

How to support students at home:

- ★ Encourage them to actively listen to a variety of music and be inspired by other performers
- ★ Encourage them to experience as much live performances as possible.
- ★ Advise them to keep practicing their instrument or voice to develop and invest in their musical skills
- ★ Encourage them to research styles of music, as an extension to the curriculum or outside the curriculum.
- ★ Share Aim Higher material to provide extensions to their work
- ★ Where appropriate encourage students to learn another musical instrument to stretch them further
- ★ Apply for trust funding for musical instruments, music lessons, additional musical instrument lessons