

Varsity College Year 8 ASPIRE Music – Semester 2, 2024

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	8-12 July Athletics Carnival - Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Blues elements and concepts Music Theory: Rhythm and Duration 	
2	15-19 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Theory: Pitch and Notation Introduction to major/minor/pentatonic/blues scales 	
3	22-26 July GC24 - Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysing music: How to identify and explain Introduction to 12 Bar Blues and Swing 	
4	29 Jul- 2 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysing music: Connecting mood and meaning to Music Elements Music Theory: Scale degrees and Keys 	
5	5-9 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to keys and intervals Analysing music: continued 	
6	12-16 August GC24 Finals – Wed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysing music: Exam prep Creating a Blues Band 	
7	19-23 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam Prep and Practice 	
8	26-30 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musicology Exam THURS 28th 	L3 Exam
9	2-6 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forming a Blues Band How to effectively rehearse 	
10	9-13 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Putting it together 	
School holidays: Saturday September 14 – Sunday September 29			
1	30 Sept – 4 Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prep for Performance draft Finalising performance techniques 	
2	7-11 October King's B'day PH - Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding expressive devices (Dynamics etc) Applying feedback 	
3	14-18 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performance 	L2&3 Blues Performance
4	21 - 25 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composition begins: noteflight practice Recap on Notation and Blues scale Getting started on 12 Bar Blues 	
5	28 Oct – 1 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Structure of Walking Bass Creating Melody 	
6	4-8 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chord styles: Walking Bass and suspended chords 	
7	11-15 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prep for draft 	
8	18-22 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composition 	
9	25-29 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composition due Creating your own song 	L2 Blues Composition
10	2-6 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative Program 	
11	9-13 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervision only week 	
School holidays: Saturday December 14 – Tuesday January 28			