



Owen's Co-Curricular Music 2026/27

Come and join us!

<u>What?</u>	<u>Who?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Where?</u>
Junior Choir <i>Mr Page</i>	Open to everyone in Years 7 & 8, Come and sing with us - all welcome! Our songs come from a wide variety of styles, including pop, jazz, gospel, musical theatre, folk, traditional and world music.	<i>Tuesdays</i> 1pm - 1.30pm	Studio
Junior Chamber Choir <i>Mr Southorn</i>	Open to Year 7 – 9 open to members of the Junior Choir by audition. We sing two and three part choral arrangements of songs in classical, pop, jazz, traditional/folk styles, along with songs from films and shows.	<i>Wednesdays</i> 1pm - 1.30pm <i>Auditions w/b</i> <i>7/9</i>	Studio
Senior Choir <i>Mr Page and Mr Southorn</i>	Open to everyone in years 9-13. Any standard, all welcome! Come and experience the excitement of a full SATB (mixed voice) choir. Our songs come from a wide variety of styles, including pop, jazz, gospel, musical theatre, folk, traditional and world music.	Fridays 1pm – 1.30pm	Studio
Senior Chamber Choir	Open to members of the Senior Choir (	Thursdays 1pm – 1.30pm	Studio

<i>Ms Makepeace-Lott</i>	in Y10–13 by audition. We aspire to sing a wide range of adventurous repertoire in 4 parts (or more) including large-scale works with the orchestra.	<i>Auditions</i>	
Close Harmony Group <i>Ms Makepeace-Lott</i>	For advanced singers in Y12 & Y13 (with the occasional addition of Y11s as required). We perform <i>a cappella</i> both in school and out of school, including at public events, weddings and competitions.	Mondays 1pm – 1.30pm <i>Auditions</i>	M3
Concert Band <i>Mr Kelly</i>	Open to KS4&5 players of all woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments, and also double or electric bass players. You should be playing at about grade 6 standard+. New players may be asked to audition. We play a wide variety of music, some of it very challenging, but all of it is Fun!	Mondays 4pm – 5pm	EGH
Second Band <i>Mr Crossley</i>	Open to Y7-10 players of woodwind, brass and percussion instruments, with a minimum standard of approx grade 3. We play a wide variety of wind band repertoire - film music, pop, classical....come along and try it!	Mondays 1pm – 1.30pm	EGH
Junior Ensemble <i>Ms Bamber</i>	Come and join Y7, 8 and 9 students to explore a wide range of music and ways of working, including improvising. All instruments and levels of experience are welcome. No auditions; <i>Just come along and give it a go!</i> Mentors also welcome!	Wednesdays 1pm – 1.30pm	EGH
Second Orchestra <i>Mrs Brady</i>	Come along to Second Orchestra! It is non-auditioned and welcomes students from KS3, KS4 and KS5 who play Strings/Woodwind/Brass/Percussion, approx. Grades 4-8.	Wednesdays 4pm – 5pm	EGH

Symphony Orchestra <i>Ms Bamber</i>	Performing exciting symphonic repertoire, open to advanced wind, brass, percussion & string players, Y10-13. In general, approx gr. 7+, Wind, brass and new string players may be asked to do an informal audition. (Y9s may be able to join alongside maintaining a commitment to other Owen's ensembles.)	Tuesdays 4pm – 5pm	EGH
NEW 2026-27 DAOS Classical and Contemporary Players <i>Ms Bamber & Mr Kelly</i>	Come and explore repertoire from 2 different periods of composition: i) the Classical period, eg the symphonies of Haydn and Mozart ii) Contemporary music (the experimentation of the 20th & 21st centuries). Open to advanced string players Y7-13 who are already at an approx. standard of grade 6 upwards <i>PLUS</i> advanced wind & brass, percussion and piano players according to the requirements of the pieces being played.	Mondays 1-1.30pm <i>Come to the first rehearsal on Mon 14/9 to find out more</i>	Studio
Senior Strings <i>Mr Widden</i>	Entry is by invitation. Y9 upwards; minimum standard is roughly grade 7-8 for all instruments except double basses. We tackle ambitious repertoire; apart from performing at the school concerts, we regularly enter the Music for Youth Festival. See Mr Widden if you are interested in joining.	Thursdays 4pm – 5pm	EGH
Jazz Collective <i>Mr Crossley</i>	We learn jazz standards, create and improvise music by ear in a friendly, supportive environment. Develop your jazz and listening skills and enjoy the freedom of playing without sheet music. Open to ALL instruments, ALL abilities, ALL ages. Come along and try it!	Fridays 8.35 – 9.05am	M1
Soul Band 2 <i>Mr Crossley</i>	Playing some of the best hit songs, SB2 is for singers and instrumentalists in Years 8-11 via	Thursdays 4pm-5pm <i>Auditions</i>	Studio

	audition. We play a range of music including Soul, Motown, Pop, 80s, R&B and Rock. SB2 line-up: consists of singers, saxes, trumpets, trombones, electric guitar, bass, keyboards, drums and percussion.		
Jazz Ensemble 2 (Starts after February half term) <i>Mr Crossley</i>	JE2 plays the best of swing, jazz, funk and blues music with opportunities for improvising and composition. We use saxophones, trumpets, trombones and rhythm section (piano/keys/guitar/bass/drums). Grade 3+ standard, by invitation. (Speak to Mr Crossley)	Thursdays 4pm-5pm (Starts after February half term)	Studio
Soul Band 1 <i>Mr Page & Mr Southorn</i>	We play everything from old-school Soul and Funk classics to modern Pop and Dance tunes. Open to students in Years 11-13 by audition. SB1 line-up consists of singers, saxophones, brass, keyboard, guitar, bass, drums and percussion.	Wednesdays 4pm-5pm <i>Auditions</i>	Studio
Jazz Ensemble 1 (Starts after February half term) <i>Mr Kelly</i>	A jazz ensemble using Trumpets, Trombones, Saxophones, Piano, Bass, Guitar, Drums/Percussion playing a varied repertoire including music by Pat Metheny, Duke Ellington, Jacob Mann and Thelonius Monk. Players should be of Grade 6+standard. Jazz vocalists are also welcome! Entry to this ensemble is by invitation. (Speak to Mr Kelly)	Wednesdays 4pm-5pm	Studio
Brass Band <i>Mr Kelly</i>	For all brass players of Grade 3 standard upwards, including trumpet, french horn, trombone,tenor horn, euphonium, trombone and	Fridays 1pm-1.30pm	EGH

	tuba, playing a variety of musical styles. Weekly rehearsals and regular chamber concert performances. Entry to this ensemble is by invitation. (Speak to Mr Kelly)		
Brass Ensemble <i>Mr Kelly</i>	For brass players of Grade 6 standard and above, playing in a range of musical styles. This ensemble rehearses weekly and performs in regular chamber concerts and other school functions including the Carol Service and Senior Visitation. Entry to this ensemble is by invitation. (Speak to Mr Kelly)	Fridays 8.35am-9.05am	Studio
Junior Percussion Ensemble <i>Ms McChrystal</i>	Open to all students (years 7-9) who are having tuned percussion, drum kit and/or piano tuition. We also need a grade 3+ electric bass player.	Tuesdays 1.05pm-1.35pm	EGH
Senior Percussion Ensemble <i>Ms McChrystal</i>	Welcome to all percussion, drum kit and piano students (years 10-13). We also would welcome a grade 5+ electric bass player.	Tuesdays 12.35pm-1.05pm	EGH
Y7&8 Drumming Club <i>Ms McChrystal</i>	Open to anyone who has an interest in drumming. We learn different rhythms and grooves from around the world and how to play lots of varied percussion instruments. Come along and join in creating some beats with us.	Tuesdays 8.35-9.05am	EGH
Flute Ensemble <i>Ms Smith</i>	An ensemble for flute players in years 7 to 10. Covering a wide range of repertoire whilst developing ensemble skills. Gr3-8 standard, all welcome!	Wednesdays 1.00-1.30pm	

Saxophone Ensemble <i>Mr Crossley</i>	An ensemble for all saxophone players, all standards, playing a wide range of fun repertoire. Speak to Mr Crossley about joining!	Thursdays 1-1.30pm	M1
Clarinet Ensemble <i>Mr Crossley</i>	This is a student-led ensemble for clarinettists of all standards - lots of fun pieces to play and develop your ensemble and listening skills.	Thursdays 8.35-9.05am	M3
Wind Chamber Music <i>Mr Crossley</i>	An opportunity for advanced wind players (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, french horn) to join one of our two wind chamber groups. Membership is by invitation, so speak to Mr Crossley or Ms Bamber if interested.	Thursdays 8.35-9.05am	M1 and Studio
Double Reed Ensemble <i>Ms Wild</i> <i>(Autumn term only)</i>	Open to all oboists (including cor anglais players) and bassoonists Grade 1-8. Everyone will be challenged and a chance for more experienced players to inspire the younger members of the double reed team. Come along and enjoy playing lots of fun repertoire!	Tuesdays 1pm-1.30pm	M3
Recorder Ensemble <i>Ms Wild</i> <i>(starts Spring Term)</i>	Open to recorder players from Grade 2-8. Descant, Treble, Tenor and Bass players welcome. Come and explore a wide range of repertoire, maybe try a recorder you haven't played before and experience the amazing ensemble sound of this wonderful instrument.	Tuesdays 1pm-1.30pm	M3
String Chamber Ensembles	We are able to offer some opportunities for advanced players to perform in chamber groups – quartets, quintets, trios etc. By invitation. <i>Speak to Mr Widden or Ms Bamber if you are interested</i>		

Guitar Ensemble <i>Mr Niesyto</i>	Open to all years for acoustic guitar players Grade 1 standard upwards reading musical notation. Playing a varied repertoire of music - classical, pop, rock, folk, blues. No audition required. Speak to Mr Niesyto on a Tuesday or Wednesday in M8.	Wednesdays 1pm-1.30pm	M1
Composition, Song-writing & Music Production Club <i>Mr Bennett</i>	Available to any student in years 7-13 who is interested in composing across a range of styles and genres, interested in songwriting and/or music production. An opportunity to share musical ideas and create new pieces!	Wednesdays 12.45-1.30pm	M2
Rock Bands	All Year Groups. OctoberFest is on 8th October See Music Staff for M10 booking details which opens Monday break time each week	Various	M10

****AUDITIONS****

PLEASE SEE THE ENSEMBLE LEADER OR NOTICES IN THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT FOR DETAILS ON AUDITION DATES & TIMES**



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