



The Billericay School
A specialist maths and computing school



Music Department

Music Facilities at the Billericay School are excellent. We are equipped with a new modern recording studio that enables students to record performances and their own compositions in a state-of-the-art environment. We have 2 classrooms with 16 Apple Mac music technology workstations running Logic Studio Professional, Sibelius 8 and GarageBand.

In addition, we have 4 practice rooms and a large range of instruments including orchestral instruments, class sets of keyboards, a large stock of tuned and un-tuned percussion and rock band instruments. A live room and both classrooms are patched directly into the recording studio.



Our focus at KS3 is on developing musicians and fostering a love of music. We have recently established a routine of all KS3 students arriving to lessons and completing 10mins piano practice; during this time the teacher works one to one with individual students to piano to ensure all students are progressing. As a result, all students from year 7 are reading Treble and Bass clef notation and playing the piano with both hands. Year 7 & 8 complete various projects that feed into the OCR GCSE; these include using GarageBand to create compositions and develop music technology skills. From year 9 the students are introduced to Logic Pro 9 and GCSE students have the option to create their compositions on Logic Pro, Sibelius or multi-track them in our studio. At KS4, the students study OCR GCSE specification.



All students are welcome to participate in instrumental music lessons. Teachers are mostly contracted from Essex Music Services to provide one to one lessons for either 20 or 30 minutes per week on a rotating time through the day. Lessons are offered on: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, voice, piano, keyboard, guitar, bass guitar, drums. Instrument hire, where available, is free for a year.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

The aim of the department is to encourage as many students as possible to participate in extra-curricular activities. Students are welcome to attend any club. All clubs have a wide range of performance opportunities. These include Year 7&8 carol services, Spring Recital, Summer Expressive Arts show and a variety of additional events throughout the year.

School Choir

Music Club

Ukulele Club

Keyboard Club

Billericay All Stars Ensemble

String Group

Student led ensembles

