

**Music Assemblies – 2023-2024**



Date	Genre	Instruments	Artist	Links/Topics Covered
Sept	Folk	Banjo	Leadbelly	Black American history, blues roots, covers – link to Nirvana.
Sept	Folk	Guitars	Leadbelly	What is a cover? Link to Eric Clapton
Sept	Ambient World	Synthesisers	Enigma	Gregorian Chant, Samples and Loops
Sept	Folk Rock	Guitars	Turn Brakes	What is the Mercury Prize?
Oct	Bluegrass Folk	Banjo	The Stanley Brothers	4 Part Harmonies – stacking.
Oct	Bluegrass Folk	Violin	Alison Krauss	4 Part Harmonies – stacking.
Oct	Heavy Metal	Electric Guitar & Bass	Led Zeppelin	Roots of Heavy Metal – links to blues/folk
Nov	Heavy Metal	Electric Guitar & Bass	Motorhead	Variations of metal music
Nov	British Light Music	Whole Orchestra	Percy Grainger	Purpose of Light Music
Nov	British Light Music	Whole Orchestra	Robert Farnon	Types of Light Music – music for TV
Nov	Pop	Synthesisers	Lily Allen & Keane	Music for TV commercials – covers.
Nov	Modern Classical	Choir & Harp	Benjamin Britten	Programmatic classical – purposes.
Dec	Swing	Voice	Frank Sinatra	Christmas songs – Swing and links to blues.
Dec	Modern Classical	Orchestra	Victor Hely-Hutchinson	What are carols?
Jan	Alternative Rock	Guitars	Far From Saints	What is 'alternative'?

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Jan	Modern Jazz	Trumpet	Ambrose Akinmisure	What is modern / avante garde jazz?
Jan	Electro	Computer / Mixing Deck	DJ Walker	What is a DJ? How electro is created.
Feb	Nationalist Classical	Orchestra - maracas	Enrique Granados	Folk tunes in classical music
Feb	Pop Folk	Acoustic guitars	Noah Kahan	Social media to market songs – TikTok teasing
Feb	Folk	Acoustic guitars	Joni Mitchell	History of Appalachian folk
Mar	Folk	Banjo / Harmonica	The Decemberists	Popularising folk in the USA
Mar	Gospel	Voice	Georgia Mass Choir	History of gospel and links to folk
Mar	Gospel to Soul	Voice	Aretha Franklin	History of gospel to soul
Mar	Romantic Classical	Harp	Frederick Delius	'Impressionism' art movement in music
Apr	Dance	Computer	Logic1000	Purpose of dance music - rhythms
Apr	1980's Rock	Electric Guitars	Dire Straits	1980's music history
Apr	Country Folk	Banjo	John Denver	What is country folk?
May	Pop Rock	Voice	Benson Boone	What makes rock popular?
May	Blues	Guitar	Muddy Waters	Blues structure and rhythm
May	Modern Classical	Orchestra - brass	Aaron Copland	Populist classical
June	Film Music	Orchestra - brass	John Williams	How is film music made?
June	French 'World Music/Folk Music'	French folk instruments	Trad.	History of French Folk
June	Classical & Jazz Fusion	Orchestra - brass	George Gershwin	Early American Musicals
June	Pop	Drums	White Stripes	What is an 'anthem'?
July	Dance	Drums	Kygo	Dance manufacture (remix) and rhythm
July	Military Music	Military Band	Philip Sousa	What is military music and why was it made?

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