



# LEAVING CERT MUSIC

# WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Four set works (pieces of music) over the space of two years. For the students going into 5<sup>th</sup> year the set works are:

Piano Concerto No. 23 from Mozart

Berlioz Movement 2 and 4

Seachanges by Raymond Deane

Sargeant Peppers Lonely Hearts Club Band by The Beatles

- Irish Music
- General listening skills
- Performance skills
- How to use Music programs on laptops
- Composing melodies and backing chords



# COURSE BREAKDOWN

Each student is required to study all three essential activities; Performing, Composing and listening.

At Higher Level, students will undertake additional studies (a Higher level elective, in one of the three activities:

Performing 25%

Composing 25%

Listening 25%

Elective 25%

# THE EXAM



Leaving certs sit one practical examination in March or April of 6<sup>th</sup> year.



In June you sit two written exams that are 1 hour 30 mins each. These happen on the same day with a short break between exams.

# PERFORMANCE OPTIONS

- **Option 1** – 6 pieces on One instrument – 50%
- **Option 2** – Technology PLUS creating one backing track and performing to it – 50%
- **Option 3** – 4 pieces on one instrument AND 4 pieces on another instrument – 50%
- **Option 4** – Technology AND 4 pieces on one instrument – 50%



# CAREERS AND COLLEGE

- Many students from our schools have gone on to study music in college. Some have gone to train as music teachers, other have gone to study music as part of an Art Degree.
- People with music degrees often end up in careers in television, radio, teaching, professional musicians, composers, music therapy etc.
- Colleges such as Ballyfermot CFE and BIMM offer courses in music production, Irish traditional music performance and contemporary music performance.
- Universities offer courses in music such as the Bachelor in Music Education (teacher training degree), music in arts and degrees in music performance.

