

Watch this to help you remember the notes!

C is to the Left of the Two Black Keys - YouTube

## Year 7 Music: Medieval Dance

## Key Information

There are many ways to improve performance skills - learning how to practise effectively in order to prepare and developing confidence to conquer those performance nerves!

To play the keyboard well, we need to demonstrate good keyboard technique - in particular a good hand position, using the thumb and all fingers to play the music. This is the best way to advance into playing 2 hands together.


Learning to perform well on the keyboard will rely on you improving your fluency as well as your technical skill, so practicing carrying on when you make a mistake will be important, as will the skill of reading some basic music notation to remember the piece well.


| Keyword | Meaning |
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| Chord | More than one note sounding at once. |
| Triad | A particular chord with 3 notes in, e.g. C-E-G |
| Drone | A note or notes in the backing which don't change <br> underneath the tune. |
| Vamping | An oom-cha style of backing using a triad. |
| Scale | The particular group of notes from which a piece is <br> constructed. |
| Semitone | 1 step on the keyboard, e.g. F-F\# or B-C |
| Tone | 2 steps on the keyboard, e.g. F-G or B-C\# |

## Stretch and Challenge

If you have a keyboard at home, try performing what you have learnt to someone in your family! If you don't have a keyboard, pick a song or a rhythmic piece you could tap out to perform, to develop your confidence.

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| Melody | Articulation | Dynamics | Tempo | Structure | Harmony | Instruments | Rhythm | Texture |
| The main tune | How the music is played | The volume of the music | The speed of the music | The sections of the music and their order | The chords used | What instruments and the type of sound produced | The patterns of sounds with the beat | Layers of music how many and what each does |

