

Music Curriculum Progression of skills 2022 - 2023



	KS1 Cycle A (Yr1 Units)	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Singing	Control vocal dynamics, duration and timbre. (Unit 4) Use voices to create descriptive sounds (Unit 12) Sing a song together as a group at the same pitch (Advent Service) Sing chants, songs and rhymes from memory (Mousike Ensemble)	Perform a round in three parts (Unit 11)	Combine singing, playing and dancing in a performance (Unit 11) Perform verse and chorus structure (Unit 4) Learn a 1960s pop song and popular dance styles of the time (Unit 11)	Sing in a group piece with changes in tempo and dynamics. (Unit 5) Sing a song in unison and three part harmony (Mousike Ensemble) Sing with attention to accuracy in rhythm, pitch and dynamics (Mousike Ensemble)	Convey lyrical meaning through expressive singing in a part-song with echoes (Unit 2) Learn to sing major and minor note patterns accurately (Unit 2) Demonstrate planning, directing, and rehearsal skills through allocated roles, such as technicians and researchers (Unit 2) Develop, rehearse and perform a mini-musical, including dialogue, singing, playing and movement (End of year) Refine vocal performance with consideration of posture, breathing and enunciation (End of year)
Playing Instruments	Explore and control dynamics, duration, and timbre with Instruments (Unit 4) Use instruments to create descriptive sounds (Unit 12) Identify and keep a steady beat (Mousike Ensemble)	Play independent parts in more than one metre simultaneously on body percussion, untuned and tuned percussion (Unit 6) Perform rhythmic ostinati individually and in combination (Unit 6)	Play a piece with melody, chords, bass and rhythm parts from graphic, rhythm, and staff notations (Unit 11) Perform a piece in rondo form (Unit 4) To understand how to hold and blow a recorder to make	Read a melody in staff notation (Unit 3) Interpret graphic notation on various sound makers with an understanding of their qualities and capabilities (Unit 5)	Play a chordal accompaniment to a piece (Unit 3) Follow and interpret a complex graphic score for four instruments (Unit 3)

	Play repeated rhythm patterns and short pitched patterns on tuned instruments (Mousike Ensemble) Use instruments to enhance storytelling (Advent Service)		a range of notes (Whole class ensemble: recorder) Play a simple tune using notes and fingering (Whole class ensemble: recorder) To read standard notation for and play tunes with a crotchet rest. (Whole class ensemble: recorder)	Perform music together in synchronisation with a short movie (Unit 5) Develop Ensemble playing, focusing on steady beat and placing notes accurately together. (Mousike Ensemble)	
Improvising/ Exploring	Improvise descriptive music (Unit 4) Respond to music through movement (Unit 4) Explore and control dynamics (volume), duration, and timbre with voices, body percussion, and instruments (Unit 4)	Improvise to an ostinato accompaniment (Unit 6)	Improvise in response to visual stimuli, with a focus on timbre (Unit 4) Explore household items as instruments and match rhythms (Unit 4)	Create musical effects using contrasting pitch. (Unit 3) Interpret graphic notation on various sound makers with an understanding of their qualities and capabilities (Unit 5) Learn about and explore techniques used in movie soundtracks (Unit 5)	Devise, combine and structure rhythms through dance (End of year performance)
Composing	Create a picture in sound (Unit 12)	Arrange an accompaniment with attention to balance and musical effect (Unit 11)	Compose a fanfare (Unit 11)	Develop a structure for a vocal piece and create graphic scores (Unit 3) Explore extended vocal techniques through listening to and composing 'a capella' (unaccompanied) vocal music based on graphic scores (Unit 3) Use the musical dimensions to create and perform music for a movie (Unit 5) Evaluate and refine compositions with reference to the inter-related dimensions of music (Unit 5) Create sounds for a movie, following a timesheet (Unit 5)	Revise, rehearse, and develop music for performance, with reference to the inter-related dimensions of music (Unit 3)

Listening	Understand musical structure by listening and responding through movement (Unit 12) Understand how music can tell a story (Advent service)	Listen to and learn about a Romantic piece of music (Unit 6)	Listen to and play along with Bhangra music (Unit 4) Listen to and learn about Renaissance instruments (Unit 11)	Learn about the music of an early Baroque opera (Unit 3) Demonstrate understanding of the effect of music in movies (Unit 5)	Follow and interpret a complex graphic score for four instruments (Unit 3)
Appraising	Identify a sequence of sounds (structure) in a piece of music (Unit 4) Identify metre by recognising its pattern (Mousike Ensemble) Identify a repeated rhythm pattern (Mousike Ensemble)	Identify the metre in a piece of music (Unit 6) Recognise rhythm patterns in staff notation (Unit 6) Learn about an instrument from Ancient Greece (Unit 11)	Demonstrate understanding of how sounds are produced by making instruments (Unit 4)	Compare and contrast two pieces of 19th century Romantic music (Unit 3) Identify changes in tempo and their effects (Unit 5) Evaluate and refine compositions with reference to the inter-related dimensions of music (Unit 5)	Revise, rehearse, and develop music for performance, with reference to the inter-related dimensions of music (Unit 3)