





We want children to enjoy listening to a wide range of music and broaden their experiences in musical genres, inspiring them to be inquisitive about musical instruments and to engage critically with what they hear. We want children to hear music with their ears and their hearts. We want them to develop language skills through song and to become confident singers as they progress through school. We want to give children opportunities to perform and to be proud of their accomplishments.

**Purpose:** Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A high quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talents as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen with discrimination to the best in the musical canon.

Aims: The national curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils: perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians; learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence; understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the interrelated dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations

**Pupils should be taught to:** use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes; play tuned and untuned instruments musically; listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music; experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the interrelated dimensions of music

Skills are dependent on specific knowledge. A skill is the capacity to perform or discuss and in order to do this a deep body knowledge needs to be acquired and retained.

**Substantive**- The what we need to know (including key vocabulary and their meanings)

#### Using the voice expressively and creatively:

In the EYFS songs are used to introduce different sections of the day (weather, welcome, home, days of the week etc). In F1 children are taught a range of simple songs and nursery rhymes along with actions/makaton and are exposed to the 'weekly song' during snack time. In F2 this is built upon and children are taught a wide range of songs as well as recapping nursery rhymes. The song of the week is explored more deeply and children are exposed to who the artist is. Year 1 continue with the song of the week and are encouraged to appraise the songs using age appropriate musical vocabulary. All children are encouraged to join in with the singing of our weekly songs. Years 1 and 2 take part in singing units whereby they are taught to sing expressively and with awareness and control of timbre, tempo and dynamics.

| Key Vocabulary  |  |                       |  |  |  |
|---|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| F1  | F2   | Y1                    | Y2   |  |  |
| Sing, quiet, loud<br>Fast, slow<br>long, short, songs, rhymes | fast, slow, long, short,<br>high, low, , songs, rhymes | Beat, dynamics, pitch | Beat, dynamics, pitch,<br>timbre, compose, verse ,<br>chorus, call, response |  |  |

### Play tuned and un-tuned instruments musically

In F1 the use of instruments is taught during the Phase 1 phonics sessions, naming the instruments and exploring the different sounds they make as well as being able to differentiate between the different ones. In F2 children use the same instruments from F1 to explore how sounds can be changed e.g. loud and quiet/fast and slow. In F1 children are taught what a rhythm is and how to copy a simple rhythm using rhythm sticks and in F2 children tap out and create their own rhythm. All children in the EYFS are given the opportunity to perform in front of their adults. Children in year 1 are taught about different instruments and how to use them to play the pulse of a song or a piece of music. In year 2, then learn how to handle and play instruments with control while exploring types/ timbres of sounds and play simple rhythmic patterns.

| Key Vocabulary   |  |   |  |  |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| F1   | F2   | Y1  | Y2   |  |
| sound, music, instrument,<br>play, listen, clap, tap,<br>rhythm, rhythm sticks | sound, music, instrument,<br>play, listen, clap, tap,<br>repeated, create, perform | music, musical instrument, play, listen, clap, tap, repeated, strum, pluck, stroke, hit, blow, beater, tuned, un-tuned, beat, dynamics, pitch | music, musical instrument, play, listen, clap, tap, repeated, strum, pluck, stroke, hit, blow, beater, tuned, un- tuned, beat, dynamics, pitch, timbre, compose, |  |

### Listen with concentration, memory and movement

In F1, children listen to range of songs and are encouraged to move in response to music. In F2 they begin to know how to move in time to music. They are also provided with the vocabulary needed to be able to describe how certain songs/ pieces of music make them feel. In year 1 they begin to use the musical termspitch, beat and tempo and year 2 they can reflect on music with an increasing vocabulary.

| Key Vocabulary |                      |                                 |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| F1             | F2                   | Y1                              | Y2   |  |
| Listen, focus  | Respond, dance, join | Pitch, beat, tempo,<br>dynamics | Pitch, beat, tempo,<br>dynamics, melodic<br>phrases, sequences |  |

## Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds

| Key Vocabulary                                    |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| F1  | F2  | Y1   | Y2   |  |  |
| sound, music, instrument, play, listen, clap, tap | sound, music, instrument,<br>play, listen, clap, tap,<br>repeated, experiment | music, musical instrument, play, listen, clap, tap, repeated, strum, pluck, stroke, hit, blow, beater, tuned, un-tuned, beat, dynamics, pitch, | music, musical instrument, play, listen, clap, tap, repeated, strum, pluck, stroke, hit, blow, beater, tuned, un- tuned, beat, dynamics, |  |  |



|  | combine, soundscape,<br>accompany | pitch, timbre, compose,<br>soundscape, accompany |
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## Controlling pulse and rhythm

In F1, children are taught how to copy simple rhythms as part of games and in F2 they can tap out and repeat simple repeated rhythms. By year 1 children know how to identify the pulse in different pieces of music and can use musical vocabulary to describe it and in year 2 children know how to internalise and create their own rhythmic patterns.

| Key Vocabulary |                 |                                |   |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| F1             | F2              | Y1                             | Y2  |
| Rhythm         | Repeated rhythm | Pulse, pieces, join, accompany | Pulse, pieces, join,<br>accompany, rhythmic<br>pattern, repeated pattern,<br>steady |

### Disciplinary

Disciplinary knowledge in music is the interpretation of the acquired knowledge above, how that knowledge can be used and combined in order to create a specific and desired effect. It is also the critical evaluation of musicians and composers work; evaluating and having the ability to appraise pieces of music.

|    | Use the voice expressively and creatively (Singing and Performing) |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| F1 | F1 F2 Year 1 Expected Year 2 Expected Year 2 Exceeding             |  |  |  |  |  |



Know how to sing simple songs

Know a repertoire of familiar songs

Know how to sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs – listening to the pitch of others e.g. twinkle twinkle

Know how to remember and perform sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm e.g. head, shoulders . . .

Know a range of nursery rhymes off by heart Know an increasing repertoire of familiar songs

know how to sing in a group or on my own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody

Know a variety of rhymes, poems and songs

Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music.

Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Know how to use their voice with increasing confidence

Know how to sing with a sense of awareness of pulse control and rhythm

Know that some songs have phrase lengths and to know when to breathe Know how to Sing songs expressively and with awareness and control of timbre, tempo and dynamics

Know how to sing with emerging control of pitch and in increasingly in tune

Know that when singing the need for awareness of others -performers and audience Know how to sing with confidence using a wider vocal range

Know how to sing in tune with awareness pulse and control of rhythm

Know how to Sing songs and create different vocal effects

Know that mouth shapes can affect voice sounds

Know how to explore songs with rounds and calls and response

# Play tuned and un-tuned instruments musically

know how to create sounds by rubbing, shaking, tapping, striking or blowing

Know that
musical
instruments make
a sound and that
these can be
explored quietly
and loudly

Know the way we play an instrument affects the sound it makes

Know how to engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups

Know how to make music in a range of ways and explore and learn how sounds can be changed

Knows how to copy sounds

Know how to play along to the steady beat of a song they are singing or Know how to play instruments in different ways and create sound effects

Know how to use body percussion and instruments to play the pulse of a song or piece of music

Know when to start and stop performing

Knows how to handle and play instruments with control.

Knows how to explore types/timbres of sounds

Knows how to play simple rhythmic patterns and the pulse using body percussion and tuned and untuned instruments Knows how to select instruments to describe visual images.

Knows how to create repeated patterns with different instruments

Knows simple ways to interpret music graphically

music they are listening to

## Listen with concentration, memory and movement

| Know how to      | Know how to move    | Knows how to       | Knows how to       | Knows how to use    |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| move in response | in time in response | remember short     | respond physically | musical vocabulary  |
| to music         | to music            | songs and          | when listening or  | to describe and     |
|                  |                     | sequences and      | performing music.  | appraise a piece of |
| Know how to      | Know how to         | patterns of sounds |                    | music               |
| listen with      | respond to what     |                    | Knows how to       |                     |
| increasing       | they have heard in  | Knows how to       | Identify well      | Knows how to        |
| attention to     | different ways      | respond physically | defined musical    | identify melodic    |
| sounds           |                     | when listening to  | features.          | phrases and play    |
|                  | Knows how to        | music              |                    | them by ear.        |
|                  | express how a       |                    | Knows how to       |                     |
|                  | piece of music      | Knows how to       | reflect on music   | Knows how to        |
|                  | makes them feel     | identify different | with an increasing | respond to music    |
|                  |                     | sound sources      | vocabulary         | by creating         |
|                  |                     |                    |                    | sequences of        |
|                  |                     | Know the musical   |                    | movement in         |
|                  |                     | terms e.g. pitch,  |                    | response to sounds  |
|                  |                     | beat, tempo        |                    | or art work         |
|                  |                     | (fast/slow)        |                    |                     |

# Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds.

| Know how to<br>create sounds to<br>accompany<br>stories (e.g. bear<br>hunt) | Know how to engage in music making | Know how to clap and repeat Short rhythmic and melodic patterns Know how to explore different sound sources  Know that making particular sounds can give a message  Know how to create and choose | Know how sounds can be changed.  Know how sounds can be used to accompany a song.  Know how sounds are used to create different moods. | Know how to explore and perform different types of accompaniment  Know how to explore and select different melodic patterns  Know and explore different combinations of pitch sounds |
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|   |                                    |   |  | pitch sounds   |
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|   | Cantualli                          | sounds to respond<br>to a given stimulus  | al alcuthus  |  |

Controlling pulse and rhythm



| Know how to             | Know how to tap                        | Know how to   | I know how to   | Know how to  |
|-------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| copy a simple<br>rhythm | out and repeat simple repeated rhythms | identify the pulse<br>in different pieces<br>of music   | internalise and create rhythmic patterns                                | recognise rhythmic<br>pattern  |
|                         |  | Know how to identify the pulse and join in getting faster and slower  Know how to Identify long and short sounds in music | Know how to accompany a song by clapping or playing the pulse or rhythm | Know how to perform a repeated pattern to a steady pulse  Know that repeated patterns are used in a variety of music |