

Subject Progression Overview



Music

	Key vocabulary
Early Years	Genre, steady beat, clap, high, low, slow, fast, rhythm, pitch, instrument, percussion, glockenspiel, melody
Year 1	Pulse, rhythm, pitch, rap, improvise, compose, high, low, melody, bass guitar, drums, perform, singers, keyboard, percussion, trumpets, saxophones, Funk, groove, audience, imagination, song, tempo, Hip Hop, Jazz, Lullaby, Musicals, orchestra, Pop, Reggae, waltz
Year 2	Keyboard, drums, bass, electric guitar, saxophone, trumpet, pulse, rhythm, pitch, improvise, compose, audience, question and answer, melody, dynamics, tempo, perform/performance, audience, glockenspiel, band, bass guitar, brass band, percussion, piano accompaniment, lullaby, Musicals, orchestra, Pop, Rock, Soul, Opera, major, minor, introduction, verse, chorus.
Year 3	Structure, intro/introduction, verse, chorus, improvise, compose, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, bass, drums, guitar, keyboard, synthesizer, hook, melody, texture, electric guitar, backing vocals, riff, ostinato, Reggae, pentatonic scale, imagination, Disco, crotchet, minim, quaver, rests, time signature, key signature, clef, stave, notation, major, minor, bar, detached, texture, repeats, rhythm patterns, legato, staccato, forte, piano, Appalachian music, Baroque music, Blues, Country, Folk music, Native American music.

	Musicianship: Understanding Music
Early Years	Find and keep a steady beat, listen and respond, clap back rhythms
Year 1	Use body percussion, instruments and voices. In the key centres of: C major, F major, G major and A minor. Find and keep a steady beat together. Understand the difference between creating a rhythm pattern and a pitch pattern. Copy back simple rhythmic patterns using long and short. Copy back simple melodic patterns using high and low. Complete vocal warm-ups with a copy back option to use Solfa.
Year 2	Use body percussion, instruments and voices. In the key centres of: C major, G major and A minor. Find and keep a steady beat. Copy back simple rhythmic patterns using long and short. Copy back simple melodic patterns using high and low. Complete vocal warm-ups with a copy back option to use Solfa. Sing short phrases independently.
Year 3	Use body percussion, instruments and voices. In the key centres of: C major, F major, G major and A minor. In the time signatures of: 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4. Find and keep a steady beat. Copy back and improvise simple rhythmic patterns using minims, crotchets, quavers and their rests. Copy back and improvise simple melodic patterns using the notes: C, D, E G, A, B F, G, A





	Listening
Early Years	Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses.
Year 1	Move and dance with the music. Find the steady beat. Talk about feelings created by the music. Recognise some band and orchestral instruments. Describe tempo as fast or slow. Describe dynamics as loud and quiet. Join in sections of the song, eg chorus. Begin to understand where the music fits in the world. Begin to understand about different styles of music.
Year 2	Mark the beat of a listening piece (eg Boléro by Ravel) by tapping or clapping and recognising tempo, as well as changes in tempo. Walk in time to the beat of a piece of music. Identify the beat groupings in the music you sing and listen, eg 2-time, 3-time etc. Move and dance with the music confidently. Talk about how the music makes you feel. Find different steady beats. Describe tempo as fast or slow. Describe dynamics as loud or quiet. Join in sections of the song, eg call and response. Start to talk about the style of a piece of music. Recognise some band and orchestral instruments. Start to talk about where music might fit into the world.
Year 3	Share your thoughts and feelings about the music together. Find the beat or groove of the music. Walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes. Invent different actions to move in time with the music. Talk about what the song or piece of music means. Identify some instruments you can hear playing. Identify if it's a male or female voice singing the song. Talk about the style of the music

	Singing
Early Years	Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music. Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.
Year 1	Sing, rap, rhyme, chant and use spoken word. Demonstrate good singing posture. Sing songs from memory. Copy back intervals of an octave and fifth (high, low). Sing in unison.
Year 2	Sing as part of a choir. Demonstrate good singing posture. Sing songs from memory and/or from notation. Sing to communicate the meaning of the words. Sing in unison and sometimes in parts, and with more pitching accuracy. Understand and follow the leader or conductor. Add actions to a song. Move confidently to a steady beat. Talk about feelings created by the music/song. Recognise some band and orchestral instruments. Describe tempo as fast or slow. Join in sections of the song, eg chorus. Begin to understand where the music fits in the world. Begin to talk about and understand the style of the music. Know the meaning of dynamics (loud/quiet) and tempo (fast/slow), and be able to demonstrate these when singing by responding to (a) the leader's directions and (b) visual symbols (eg crescendo, decrescendo, pause).
Year 3	Sing as part of a choir. Sing a widening range of unison songs, of varying styles and structures. Demonstrate good singing posture. Perform actions confidently and in time to a range of action songs. Sing songs from memory and/or from notation. Sing with awareness of following the beat. Sing with attention to clear diction. Sing expressively, with attention to the meaning of the words. Sing in unison. Understand and follow the leader or conductor. Copy back simple melodic phrases using the voice.





	Notation
Early Years	
Year 1	Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any appropriate means of notation. If appropriate: explore standard notation, using crotchets, quavers and minims, and simple combinations of: C, D, E, F, G F, G, A G, B, D D, E, F\(^x\), G, A D, A, C
Year 2	Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any appropriate means of notation. Explore standard notation, using crotchets, quavers, minims and semibreves, and simple combinations of: C, D, E, F, G, A, B G, A, B, C, D, E, F\$ F, G, A, Bb, C, D, E A, B, C, D, E Identify hand signals as notation, and recognise music notation on a stave of five lines.
Year 3	Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any appropriate means of notation. Explore standard notation, using minims, semibreves, dotted crotchets, crotchets, quavers and semiquavers, and simple combinations of: C, D, E, F, G, A, B F, G, A, B, C, D, E E, F\$, G\$, A, B Read and respond to semibreves, minims, crotchets and paired quavers. Identify: • Stave • Treble clef • Time signature • Lines and spaces on the stave Identify and understand the differences between crotchets and paired quavers. Apply spoken word to rhythms, understanding how to link each syllable to one musical note.

	Playing Instruments
Early Years	Explore the percussion instruments. Combine movements to make a sound. Rehearse and learn to play a simple melodic instrumental part by ear
Year 1	Rehearse and learn to play a simple melodic instrumental part by ear or from simple notation, in C major, F major, D major and D minor.
Year 2	Rehearse and learn to play a simple melodic instrumental part by ear or from notation, in C major, F major and G major
Year 3	Rehearse and learn to play a simple melodic instrumental part by ear or from notation, in C major, F major, G major and E major. Develop facility in playing tuned percussion or a melodic instrument, such as a violin or recorder.

	Improvisation
Early Years	Explore the percussion instruments and experiment with instruments to make a desired sound.
Year 1	Explore improvisation within a major and minor scale using the notes: C, D, E D, E, A F, G, A D, F, G Improvise simple vocal patterns using 'Question and Answer' phrases. Understand the difference between creating a rhythm pattern and a pitch pattern.
Year 2	Explore improvisation within a major scale using the notes: C, D, E C, G, A G, A, B F, G, A Work with a partner and in the class to improvise simple 'Question and Answer' phrases, to be sung and played on untuned percussion, creating a musical conversation.
Year 3	Explore improvisation within a major scale using the notes: C, D, E C, D, E, F, G C, D, E, G, A G, A, B G, A, B, D, E G, A, B, C, D F, G, A F, G, A, C, D Become more skilled in improvising (using voices, tuned and untuned percussion, and instruments played in



wholeclass/group/individual/instrumental teaching), inventing short 'on-the-spot' responses using a limited note-range. Compose over a simple groove. Compose over a drone. Structure musical ideas (eg using echo or 'Question and Answer' phrases) to create music that has a beginning, rust middle and end.

	Composition
Early Years	
Year 1	Explore and create graphic scores: Create musical sound effects and short sequences of sounds in response to music and video stimulus. Create a story, choosing and playing classroom instruments and/or soundmakers. Recognise how graphic notation can represent created sounds. Explore and invent your own symbols. Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds. Use simple notation if appropriate: Create a simple melody using crotchets and minims: C, D C, D, E C, D, E, F C, D, E, F, G Start and end on the note C F, G F, G, A F, G, A, C F, G, A, C, D Start and end on the note F D, F D, F, G D, F, G, A D, F, G, A, C Start and end on the note D
Year 2	Explore and create graphic scores: Create musical sound effects and short sequences of sounds in response to music and video stimulus. Use graphic symbols, dot notation and stick notation, as appropriate, to keep a record of composed pieces. Create a story, choosing and playing classroom instruments. Create and perform your own rhythm patterns with stick notation, including crotchets, quavers and minims. Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds. Use notation if appropriate: Create a simple melody using crotchets and minims: C, D C, D, E, F C, D, E, F, G Start and end on the note C (C major) G, A G, A, B G, A, B, D G, A, B, D, E Start and end on the note G (Pentatonic on G) F, G F, G, A F, G, A, C, D Start and end on the note F (Pentatonic on F)
Year 3	Create music and/or sound effects in response to music and video stimulus. Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds. Compose over a simple chord progression. Compose over a simple groove. Compose over a drone. Start to use simple structures within compositions, eg introduction, verse, chorus or AB form. Use simple dynamics. Compose song accompaniments on tuned and untuned percussion, using known rhythms and note values. Create a simple melody using crotchets, minims and perhaps paired quavers: C, D C, D, E C, D, E, G C, D, E, G, A Start and end on the note C (Pentatonic on C) C, D C, D, E C, D, E, F C, D, E, F, G Start and end on the note C (C major) F, G F, G, A F, G, A, B F, G, A, B F, G, A, B G, A, B, D, G, A, B, D, E Start and end on the note G (Pentatonic on G)

	Performing
Early Years	Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music.
Year 1	Enjoy and have fun performing. Choose a song/songs to perform to a well-known audience. Prepare a song to perform. Communicate the meaning of
	the song. Add actions to the song. Play some simple instrumental parts.
Year 2	Practise, rehearse and share a song that has been learned in the lesson, from memory or with notation, and with confidence. Decide on any actions,
	instrumental parts/improvisatory ideas/composed passages to be practised and included in the performance. Talk about what the song means and
	why it was chosen to share. Talk about the difference between rehearsing a song and performing it.
Year 3	Practise, rehearse and share a song that has been learned in the lesson, from memory or with notation, and with confidence. Play and perform
_ 3	melodies following staff notation, using a small range, as a whole class or in small groups. Include any actions, instrumental parts/improvisatory



ideas/composed passages within the rehearsal and in the performance. Talk about what the song means and why it was chosen to s feelings about sharing and performing, eg excitement, nerves, enjoyment.