

Progression of Music Skills Document

SKILL: PERFORMING			
KS1	LKS2	UKS2	
Pupils use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes. Children can:	Pupils play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.	Pupils play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.	
 sing with good diction; begin to be able to sing in tune songs with a 	Children can: 1. sing with good diction;	Children can: 1. sing with good diction;	
limited range; 3. sing in time to a steady beat.	 sing in tune songs with a limited range; sing a song with two or more parts; perform with expression; 	 sing in tune; sing a song with two or more parts, showing confidence at being able to maintain tempo and pitch; 	
Pupils play tuned and un-tuned instruments musically. Children can:	5. use correct technique to play instruments.	 perform with accuracy and expression, showing an understanding of the context of the music; 	
 name a variety of instruments; perform with a good sense of beat and rhythm; perform together in an ensemble; change the tempo or dynamics while playing an instrument. 		5. use correct technique to play instruments with improved confidence and accuracy.	

SKILL: LISTENING				
KS1	LKS2	UKS2		
Pupils listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music.	Pupils listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory. Children can:	Pupils listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory. Children can:		
 Children can: begin to recognise different genres of music; begin to recognise instruments being played in a piece of music; 	 find the beat in a piece of music; explain the tempo, dynamics and duration of a piece of music; begin to recognise some orchestral instruments in a piece of music. 	 find the beat in a piece of music; explain the tempo, dynamics, metre, timbre and duration of a piece of music; Recognise orchestral instruments and describe their effect in a piece of music. 		
3. express their opinion about pieces of music.	Pupils appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.	Pupils appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.		
	Children can:	Children can:		
	 recognise a range of music genres; recognise instruments being played in a piece of music; express their opinion about pieces of music using appropriate musical vocabulary; discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music. 	 recognise a range of music genres (including from around the world) and describe their characteristics; 		
		name a variety of composers and artists associated with different genres of music;		
		 recognise instruments being played in a piece of music; 		
		 express their opinion about pieces of music using appropriate musical vocabulary; 		
		 discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music and explain how composers and performers achieve this. 		

SKILL: COMPOSING				
KS1	LKS2	UKS2		
Pupils experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music. (ie. pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics, tempo, timbre, structure, texture, notation)	Pupils improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music. Children can:	Pupils improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music. Children can:		
 Children can: compose a simple tune using three or four notes; create sound effects for a picture or story, thinking about how music can create a mood; write down their compositions using symbols, pictures or patterns. 	 compose a tune using eight notes; compose music that has a recognisable structure (beginning, middle and end). 	 create more complex tunes, thinking about their audience. add lyrics to a composition; Compose music that has a recognisable structure (beginning, middle and end) that shows variation in timbre and dynamics. 		
	SKILL: NOTATION			
KS1	LKS2	UKS2		
	Pupils use and understand staff and other musical notations.	Pupils use and understand staff and other musical notations.		
	Children can:	Children can:		
	 recognise crotchets, quavers, semibreves and crotchet rests; begin to be able to recognise some notes on a treble clef staff. 	 recognise crotchets, quavers, semibreves, crotchet and quaver rests; recognise notes on a treble clef staff; understand that notes are positioned differently on a bass clef; read, and play from, music notation; 		
		 record their own compositions using music notation. 		

SKILL: KNOWLEDGE				
KS1	LKS2	UKS2		
	Pupils develop an understanding of the history of music.	Pupils develop an understanding of the history of music.		
	Children can: 1. name some composers and genres of music from different eras.	1. name some composers and genres of music from different eras; 2. name different musical periods.		

Level Expected at the End of EYFS

We have selected the Early Learning Goals that link most closely to the music national curriculum.

For more detail about linked subject progression within the EYFS Framework, please refer to these documents.

Expressive Arts and Design (Exploring and Using Media and Materials)

Children sing songs, make music, dance and experiment with ways of changing them.

Expressive Arts and Design (Being Imaginative)

Children use what they have learnt about media and materials in original ways, thinking about uses and purposes. They represent their own ideas, thoughts and feelings through design and technology, art, music, dance, role play and stories.

Key Stage 1 National Curriculum Expectations

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 inter-related dimensions of music.

Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Expectations

Pupils should be taught to:

- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression;
- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music;
- · listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory;
- · use and understand staff and other musical notations;
- appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians;
- develop an understanding of the history of music.