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### **Progression of skills**

#### Music

#### STICKY KNOWLEDGE/KEY LEARNING IN BOLD

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Performing	Can they use their voice to	Can they use their voice to	Can they follow the melody using	Do they sing songs from memory
	speak/sing/chant?	speak/sing/chant?	their voice or an instrument?	with increasing expression,
	• Do they join in with singing?	<ul><li>Do they join in with singing?</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Can they sing songs as an</li> </ul>	accuracy and fluency?
	Can they clap short rhythmic	Can they clap short rhythmic	ensemble following the tune	Do they maintain a simple part
	patterns?	patterns?	(melody) well?	within an ensemble?
	Can they experiment with creating	Can they use instruments to	Can they perform in an ensemble	Do they modulate and control
	sounds with different instruments?	perform a simple piece?	with instructions from the leader	their voice when singing and
	Can they perform a rhythm?	Can they respond to musical	(e.g. hand signals to indicate pitch	pronounce the words clearly?
		indications about when to play or	and duration of notes)?	Can they play notes on tuned and
		sing?	Can they play simple rhythmic	un-tuned instruments with
		Can they respond musically with	patterns on an instrument?	increasing clarity and accuracy?
		increasing accuracy to a call	<ul> <li>Can they sing/clap a pulse</li> </ul>	Can they improvise (including call
		(high/low, loud/soft, fast/slow)	increasing or decreasing in tempo?	and response) within a group using
		and keep a steady pulse?	Do they have control when	the voice?
			playing instruments?	Can they collaborate to create a
		Can they perform a rhythm to a	Can they perform musical	piece of music?
		steady pulse?	patterns keeping a steady pulse?	
				Can they sing/play rhythmic
			Can they understand the importance	patterns in contrasting tempo;
			of a warm up?	keeping to the pulse?
			Can they sing/play rhythmic	
			patterns in contrasting dynamics;	
			keeping to the pulse?	



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Listening		Respond to different moods of music, in different ways	<ul> <li>Listen to simple inter-related dimensions of music</li> <li>Verbally recall what they have heard with simple vocabulary – loud, soft, high, low</li> <li>Begin to say what they like and dislike</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe music using appropriate vocabulary</li> <li>Begin to compare different kinds of music</li> <li>Recognise differences between music of different times and cultures</li> </ul>
Composing	<ul> <li>Can they make a range of sounds with their voice?</li> <li>Can they make a range of sounds with instruments?</li> <li>Can they represent sounds pictorially?</li> <li>Can they begin to sequence sounds to create a rhythm or beat?</li> <li>Can they repeat (short rhythmic and melodic) patterns?</li> <li>Can they begin to read pictorial representations of music? (e.g. colourcoded bells, music story maps)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they make a range of sounds with their voice?</li> <li>Can they make a range of sounds with instruments?</li> <li>Can they identify changes in sounds?</li> <li>Can they tell the difference between long and short sounds?</li> <li>Can they represent sounds pictorially?</li> <li>Can they make a sequence of sounds for a purpose?</li> <li>Can they repeat (short rhythmic and melodic) patterns?</li> <li>Can they give a reason for choosing an instrument?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they order sounds to create a beginning, middle and end?</li> <li>Can they represent sounds pictorially with increasing relevance?</li> <li>Can they choose sounds to achieve an effect (including use of technology)?</li> <li>Can they begin to compose short melodic patterns using two or three notes (tuned instruments/voice)?</li> <li>Can they create short, rhythmic patterns – sequences of long and short sounds?</li> <li>Are they selective in the control used on an instrument in order to create an intended effect?</li> <li>Can they create their own symbols to represent sounds?</li> <li>Can they choose sounds to create</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they create repeated patterns using a range of instruments?</li> <li>Can they combine different sounds to create a specific mood or feeling?</li> <li>Do they understand how the use of tempo can provide contrast within a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they begin to read and write musical notation?</li> <li>Can they effectively choose, order, combine and control sounds to create different textures?</li> <li>Can they use silent beats for effect (rests)?</li> <li>Can they combine different interrelated dimensions of music (e.g. fast/slow, high/low, loud/soft) in their composition?</li> <li>Can they create accompaniments</li> </ul>
			an effect on the listener?	for melodies?



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			<ul> <li>Can they use simple structures (e.g. repetition and order) in a piece of music?</li> <li>Do they know that phrases are where we breathe in a song?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they compose a simple piece of music that they can recall to use again?</li> <li>Do they understand metre in 4 beats; then 3 beats?</li> </ul>
Appraising	<ul> <li>Can they say if they like or dislike a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they identify and distinguish environmental sounds?</li> <li>Can they begin to describe the sounds? (e.g. loud, quiet, high, low, fast, slow)</li> <li>Can they begin to express how music makes them feel?</li> <li>Can they identify reasons why they like some music more than others?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they form an opinion to express how they feel about a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they recognise repeated patterns?</li> <li>Can they tell the difference between a fast and slow tempo, loud and quiet, and high and low sounds?</li> <li>Can they hear the pulse in a piece music?</li> <li>Can they tell the difference between loud and quiet sounds?</li> <li>Can they describe how sounds are made and changed?</li> <li>Can they respond to different moods in music and say how a piece of music makes them feel?</li> <li>Can they identify what different sounds could represent and give a reason why?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they identify particular features when listening to music?</li> <li>Can they begin to associate sounds they hear with instruments?</li> <li>Can they independently identify the pulse in a piece of music and tap along?</li> <li>Can they listen carefully to recall short rhythmic patterns?</li> <li>Can they begin to recognise changes in timbre, dynamics and pitch?</li> <li>Are they able to recognise and name different instruments by sight?</li> <li>Can they evaluate and improve their own work and give reasons?</li> <li>Can they tell whether a change (e.g. pitch, tempo, dynamic, texture and timbre) is gradual or sudden and describe its effect?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they use musical words (pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo) to describe and give their opinion on a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they evaluate and improve their work, explaining how it has improved using a success criterion?</li> <li>Do they know that music can be played or listened to for a variety of purposes (including different cultures and periods in history)?</li> <li>Are they able to recognise a range of instruments by ear?</li> <li>Can they internalise the pulse in a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they identify the features within a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they recognise changes in sounds that move incrementally and more dramatically?</li> <li>Can they compare repetition, contrast and variation within a piece of music?</li> </ul>



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<ul> <li>Can they identify texture -         listening for whether there is more         than one sound at the same time?         • Can they identify musical structure     </li> </ul>	
in a piece of music (verse, chorus etc.)?	

	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Performing	• Can they perform a simple part of an ensemble rhythmically?	Can they sing and use their understanding of meaning to add expression?	<ul><li>Can they begin to sing a harmony part?</li><li>Can they begin to perform using notations?</li></ul>
	Can they sing songs from memory with increasing expression, accuracy and fluency?	• Can they perform 'by ear' and from simple notations?	<ul><li>Can they take the lead in a performance?</li><li>Can they take on a solo part?</li></ul>
	Can they improvise using repeated patterns with increasing accuracy and fluency?	<ul> <li>Can they improvise within a group using melodic and rhythmic phrases?</li> <li>Can they recognise and use basic structural</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they provide rhythmic support?</li> <li>Can they perform parts from memory?</li> </ul>
	Can they use selected pitches simultaneously to produce simple harmony?	forms e.g. rounds, variations, rondo form? • Can they maintain their part whilst others are performing their part?	Can they perform a piece of music which contains two (or more) distinct melodic or rhythmic parts, knowing how the parts will fit together?
		<ul> <li>Can they use pitches simultaneously to produce harmony by building up simple chords?</li> <li>Can they devise and play a repeated sequence of pitches on a tuned instrument to accompany a song?</li> </ul>	



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Listening	<ul> <li>Describe what they hear using a wider range of musical vocabulary</li> <li>Recognise how the inter-related dimensions of music are used by composers to create different moods and effects</li> <li>Understand the cultural and social meaning of lyrics</li> <li>Appreciate harmonies, drone and ostinato</li> <li>Explore ways the way in which sounds are combined towards certain effects</li> <li>Understand the relationship between lyrics and melody</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe, compare and evaluate different kinds of music using an appropriate and broad musical vocabulary</li> <li>Analyse and compare features from a wide range of music</li> <li>Discern and distinguish layers of sound and understand their combined effect</li> <li>Identify cyclic patterns – verse and chorus, coda</li> <li>Recognise how different inter-related dimensions of music are combined and used expressively in many different types of music</li> </ul>	Evaluate differences in live and recorded performances     Consider how one piece of music may be interpreted in different ways by different performers, sometimes according to venue and occasion
Composing	<ul> <li>Can they use notations to record and interpret sequences of pitches?</li> <li>Can they use notations to record compositions in a small group or on their own?</li> <li>Can they use notation in a performance?</li> <li>Can they explore and use sets of pitches, e.g. 4 or 5 note scales?</li> <li>Can they show how they can use dynamics to provide contrast?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can they begin to use standard notation?</li> <li>Can they use their notations to record groups of pitches (chords)?</li> <li>Can they choose the most appropriate tempo for a piece of music?</li> <li>Can they use technology to compose music which meets a specific criterion?</li> <li>Can they identify (and use) how patterns of repetitions, contrasts and variations can be organised to give structure to a melody, rhythm, dynamic and timbre?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Do they recognise that different forms of notation serve different purposes?</li> <li>Can they combine groups of beats?</li> <li>Can they use a variety of different musical devices in their composition? (e.g. melody, rhythms and chords)</li> <li>Can they show how a small change of tempo can make a piece of music more effective?</li> <li>Do they use the full range of chromatic pitches to build up chords, melodic lines and bass lines?</li> </ul>



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• Can they identify where a gradual change in dynamics has helped to shape a phrase of music?

Appraising	Can they explain why silence is used in a piece	Can they describe, compare and evaluate	Can they refine and improve their work?
	of music and say what effect it has?	music using musical vocabulary?	Can they evaluate how the venue, occasion
	Can they start to identify the character of a	Can they suggest improvements to their own	and purpose affects the way a piece of music is
	piece of music?	or others' work?	created?
	Can they describe and identify the different	Can they choose the most appropriate tempo	Can they compare and contrast the impact
	purposes of music?	for a piece of music?	that different composers from different times
	• Can they use musical words (pitch, duration,	Can they identify and begin to evaluate the	will have had on the people of the time?
	timbre, dynamics, tempo) to describe a piece of	features within different pieces of music?	Can they analyse features within different
	music and composition?	Can they contrast the work of established	pieces of music?
		composers and show preferences?	
	Can they identify how a change in timbre can		• Can they appraise the introductions, interludes
	change the effect of a piece of music?	• Can they explain how tempo changes the character of music?	and endings for songs and compositions they have created?