

Music Progression

| KS1 | Singing songs with control and using the voice expressively | Listening, memory and movement | Controlling pulse and rhythm | Exploring sounds, melody and accompaniment | Control of instruments | Composition | Reading and writing notation | Performance skills, evaluating and appraising |
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| Year 1 - Emerging | Sing with an awareness of other performers | Repeat patterns of sounds | Accompany a chant or song | Make sounds using classroom instruments | Play untuned instruments | Make sounds using classroom instruments | Create long and short sounds | Perform whilst showing an awareness of others |
| Year 1 - Expected | Sing a melody accurately at their own pitch | Respond physically when performing music | Accompany a chant or song by clapping the rhythm | Identify and name classroom instruments | Play untuned instruments with control | Contribute to the creation of a class contribution | Create long and short sounds using classroom instruments | Perform and be part of an audience |
| Year 1 - Exceeding | Sing with a sense of awareness of pulse and control of rhythm | Identify different sound sources | Identify the pulse and join in getting faster and slower together | Identify how different sounds can give a message | Play instruments in different ways | Identify how different sounds can give a message | Perform long and short sounds in response to symbols | Follow instructions that combine the musical elements |
| Year 2 - Expected | Recognise phrase length and know when to breathe | Respond physically when composing music | Identify long and short sounds in music | Create and choose sounds in response to a given stimulus | Create sound effects | Create and choose sounds in response to a given stimulus | Play and sing a notated phrase | Recognise the need for performance and audiences |
| Year 2 - Exceeding End of Key Stage 1 | Follow pitch movements with their hands and use high, low and middle voices | Respond physically when appraising music, identify well- defined musical features | Accompany a chant or song by clapping the pulse | Change sounds to reflect different stimuli | Identify different groups of instruments | Change sounds to reflect different stimuli | Play and sing a phrase from dot notation | Perform together and follow instructions that combine the musical elements |

| KS2 | Singing songs with control and using the voice | Listening, memory and movement | Controlling pulse and rhythm | Exploring sounds, melody and accompaniment | Control of instruments | Composition | Reading and writing notation | Performance skills, evaluating and appraising |
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| Year 3 - Emerging | Begin to sing with control of pitch | Create sequences of movements in response to sounds | Recognise rhythmic patterns | Identify ways sounds are used to accompany a song | Select appropriate instruments | Create textures by combining sounds in different ways | Record their own ideas | Perform in different ways and in different situations |
| Year 3 - Expected | Sing with awareness of pulse and rhythm | Explore and choose different movements to describe | Perform a repeated pattern to a steady pulse | Explore and perform different types of accompaniment | Select instruments to describe visual images | Create music that describes contrasting moods/emotions | Make their own symbols for notation | Explore the way that performers are a musical resource |
| Year 4 - Expected | Understand how mouth shapes can affect voice sounds | Demonstrate the ability to recognise the use of structure and expressive elements through dance | Identify and recall rhythmic and melodic patterns | Explore different melodic patterns | Identify melodic phrases | Create an accompaniment to a known song | Make their own symbols for notation as part of a class score | Recognise how music can reflect different intentions |
| Year 4 – Exceeding Year 5 – Emerging | Sing expressively with awareness and control at the expressive elements i.e. timbre, tempo and dynamics | Identify phrases that could be used as an introduction, interlude and ending | Identify repeated patterns used in a variety of music (ostinato) | Analyse how sounds are used to create different moods | Play accompaniments with control and accuracy | Create descriptive music in pairs or small groups | Perform using notation as a support | Perform with an awareness of different parts |
| Year 5 - Expected | Sing songs with increasing control of breathing, posture and sound projection | Internalise short melodies and play these on pitched percussion (by ear) | Improvise rhythm patterns | Comment on how sounds are used to create different moods | Identify melodic phrases and play them by ear | Identify different starting points for composing music | Sing songs using notation of their own | Present performances effectively |
| Year 5 – Exceeding Year 6 – Expected | Sing a round in two parts and identify the melodic phrases and how they fit together | Listen to longer pieces of music and identify features | Perform an independent part keeping to a steady beat | Select different melodic patterns | Create different effects using combinations of pitched sounds | Explore, select and combine a variety of different sounds to compose a soundscape | Sing songs using staff notation | Show an awareness of audience, venue and occasion |
| Year 6 - Exceeding End of Key Stage 2 | Begin to have an awareness of improvisation with the voice | Identify different moods and textures | Subdivide the pulse while keeping to a steady beat | Recognise and explore different combinations of pitch sounds | Use ICT to change and manipulate sounds | Use a range of stimuli and develop musical ideas into a completed composition | Sing and perform using instruments using staff notation as support | Improve their work through analysis, evaluation and comparison |