

Music Curriculum Map

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS Each unit focuses on a different prime area of learning and provides an opportunity to develop the aspects of learning through music.	. Unit: Moving Patterns Musical focus: structure This unit provides children with opportunities to develop and improve their skills in counting, understanding and using numbers, calculating simple additions and subtraction problems. Children are also encouraged to describe shapes, spaces and measures through the use of call and response chants, cumulative songs and instruments.	Unit: Stories and Sounds Musical focus: structure This unit encourages children to link sounds and letters together and to begin to read and write, by using a variety of reading materials such as books, poems, chants etc.	Unit: Growth and Change Musical focus: loud and quiet This unit provides children with the opportunity to be active and interactive, and to develop their co-ordination, control and movement. Children also learn about the importance of physical activity and healthy eating.	Unit: Going Places Musical focus: high and low This unit gives children the opportunities to experience a rich language environment through speaking and listening, and to develop their confidence and skills in expressing themselves. They perform using high and low instruments and sing songs with high and low notes.	Unit: Special People Musical focus: beat and tempo This unit helps children to develop a positive sense of themselves, to form relationships and respect for others, as well as developing social skills and the ability to manage their feelings through rhyme and body actions	Unit: Working World Musical focus: texture This unit guides children to make sense of their physical world and their communities. The unit provides opportunities to explore, observe and find out about people, places, technology and the environment. They express feelings through music, create and perform sound sequences and use a simple graphic score.
Pupils should be taught use their voic play tuned and listen with col	skills (National Curriculu t to: es expressively and creativ d untuned instruments musi ncentration and understand ith, create, select and coml	ely by singing songs and spo cally ling to a range of high-qual	ity live and recorded music			

Year 1	Unit: Ourselves	Unit: Animals	Unit: Machines	Unit: Our school	Unit: Story time	Unit: Travel
, 54	Musical focus: Exploring	Musical focus: Pitch	Musical focus: Beat	Musical focus: Exploring	Musical focus: Exploring	Musical focus: Performance
	Sounds	The children develop an	The children explore beat	Sounds	Sounds	The children develop their
	The children explore ways of	understanding of pitch	through movement, body	The children explore sounds	The children learn how music	performance skills and learn
	using their voices expressively.	through using movement,	percussion and instruments.	found in their school	can be used to tell a story.	songs about travel and
	They develop skills of singing	voices and instruments. They	They combine steady beat	environment. They investigate	They identify contrasts of	transport from around the
	while performing actions, and	identify contrasts of high and	with word rhythms and	ways to produce and record	fast and slow, loud and quiet,	world.
	create an expressive story.	low pitches, and create animal	explore changes in tempo.	sounds, using IT to stimulate	leading to a performance.	Unit: Water
	Unit: Number	chant sounds and sequences.	Unit: Seasons	musical ideas related to	Unit: Our bodies	Musical focus: Pitch
	Musical focus: Beat	Unit: Weather	Musical focus: Pitch	geography.	Musical focus: Beat	The children use voices,
	The children develop a sense	Musical focus: Exploring	The children develop further	Unit: Pattern	The children respond with	movement and instruments to
	of steady beat through using	Sounds	their vocabulary and	Musical focus: Beat	their bodies to steady beat	explore changes of pitch. They
	movement, body percussion	The children use voices,	understanding of pitch	The children develop an	and rhythm in music. They	develop a performance with
	and instruments	movement and instruments to	movements, exploring pitch	understanding of metre -	experience combining rhythm	different vocal pitch shapes
		explore different ways that	through singing, tuned	groups of steady beat -	patterns with steady beat,	and tuned percussion.
		music can be used to describe	percussion and listening games.	through counting, body	using body percussion.	
		the weather.		percussion and readying		
				scores.		
Year 2	Unit: Ourselves	Unit: Our land	Unit: Animals	Unit: Story time	Unit: Weather	Unit: Water



Musical focus: Exploring
Sounds

The children discover ways to use their voices to describe feelings and moods. They create and notate vocal sounds, building to a performance.

Unit: Toys

Musical focus: Beat
The children move and play to
a steady beat and to sound
sequences. They learn to
control changing tempo as
they take a scooter ride.

Musical focus: Exploring
Sounds

The children explore timbre and texture as they explore descriptive sounds. They listen to, and perform, music inspired by myths.

Unit: Our Bodies

Musical focus: Beat the children develop a sense of steady beat through using their own bodies. They respond to music and play rhythm patterns on body percussion and instruments. Musical focus: Pitch
The children link animal
movement with pitch
movement to help develop
understanding and recognition
of changing pitch. They
interpret pitch line notation
using voices and tuned

instruments. Unit: Number

Musical focus: Beat
The children explore steady
beat and rhythm patterns.
They play beats and patterns
from renaissance Italy to
West Africa and create their
own body percussion, voices
and instruments.

Musical focus: Exploring
Sounds

The children are introduced to famous pieces to stimulate composition. The children interpret a storyboard with sound effects, and develop their own ideas using voices and percussion.

Unit: Seasons

Musical focus: Pitch
The children develop
understanding of pitch
through movement, songs and
listening games. They become
familiar with pitch shapes and
perform them in a variety of
musical arrangements.

Musical focus: Exploring
Sounds

The children have opportunities to create descriptive sounds and word rhythms with raps and songs about weather. They create a descriptive class composition using voices and instruments.

Unit: Pattern

Musical focus: Beat
Using simple notations, the
children play, create and
combine minibeast rhythms
using body percussion and
instruments.

Musical focus: Pitch
The children sing and play a
variety of pitch shapes, using
movement and ready from
scores. They create a class
composition which describes
the sounds and creatures of a
pond.

Unit: Travel

Musical focus: Performance
The children learn a Tanzanian
game song and accompany a
travelling song using voices and
instruments. they listen to an
orchestral piece and improvise
their own descriptive 'theme
park' music.

Key Stage 2 - Music skills

- Pupils should be taught to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control.
- They should develop an understanding of musical composition, organising and manipulating ideas within musical structures and reproducing sounds from aural memory.
- 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.

Unit: Building

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		Musical focus: composition			
		The children explore songs and			
		poems about places. They			
		create accompaniments and			
		sound pictures to reflect			
		sounds in their local			
		environment.			

Unit: Sounds

Musical focus: Exploring
Sounds
How are sounds produced and
classified? The children
explore timbre and structure
through musical conversations
in music from around the
world.

Unit: China

Musical focus: Pitch
The children explore the
pentatonic scale and ways of
notating pitch. They listen to
traditional Chinese music, sing,
read and compose music,
ending in a musical celebration
of Chinese New Year.

Unit: In the past

Musical focus: Pitch
The origins of pitch notations
are introduced as the children
make hand signals and compose
three-note melodies. They
learn basic dance steps and
prepare a performance.
Unit: Communication

Unit: Human body

Musical focus: Structure
Skeleton dances and songs
teach the children about the
human body. Percussion
instruments are used to
improvise, create word
rhythms, and build a final
skeleton dance.

Unit: Ancient worlds

Musical focus: Structure
Explore ancient Greece with
music inspired by Orpheus,
Echo and Theseus. The
children perform a song cycle
and a round, and compose their
own ostinato.

Unit: Food and drink

PRIMAR ^a	Musical focus: Beat The sights nd sounds of a buliding site provide the inspiration for exploring and creating rhythms. The children play games, sing and	Unit: Poetry Musical focus: Performance Three contrasting poems are explored and developed. The children use voices, body percussion, instruments and	Unit: Time Musical focus: Beat The children develop their understanding of beat, metre and rhythm. They combine melodic and rhythmic	Musical focus: Composition The children learn to make music inspired by technology and computing. They explore and compose sounds for earcons, emoticons, mobile	Unit: Singing Musical focus: Pitch Un, deux, trois and away we go to e enhance language learning through songs. Children are introduced to French	Musical focus: Performance A feast of chants, songs and performances. Composing word rhythms, singing a round, and creating musical recipes will develop the children's skills
	compose music to build into a performance.	movement to create their own expressive performances.	patterns, and use staff notation as part of a final performance.	phone ringtones, computer games and apps.	greetings, vocabulary and numbers as they play lively singing games.	from breakfast through to dinner time!
Year 4	Unit: Poetry Musical focus: Performance The children develop performances of continuing poems. They use their voices to speak expressively and rhythmically, and discover ways to create ostinato accompaniments to enhance their performances. Unit: Environment Musical focus: Composition Seasons and the environment provide the stimuli for compositions. The children make descriptive accompaniments and discover how the environment has inspired composers throughout history.	Unit: Sounds Musical focus: Exploring Sounds After exploring how sounds are produced and classified, the children use their voices to make beatbox sounds, sing four-part songs, and perform a jazzy round. Unit: Recycling Musical focus: Structure The children make their own instruments from junk and use them to improviser, compose and play junk jazz music in a variet6y of different musical styles.	Unit: Building Musical focus: Beat Building-themed songs allow the children to explore how music can be structured to provide different textures. They use layers and rondo structure to combine ostinato played on body percussion and tuned instruments. Unit: Around the World Musical focus: Pitch The children explore pentatonic melodies and syncopated rhythms, learning that the fundamental dimensions of music are the same all over the world.	Unit: Ancient Worlds Musical focus: Structure The children celebrate achievements of the 'Amazing Egyptians' and explore 20th century minimalist music inspired by the age of Akhenaten. They arrange and perform a layered pyramid structure. Unit: Singing Musical focus: Pitch A sample of the sights and sounds of the Spanish- speaking world, including greetings, counting to twelve and playing a singing game. The children explore part-singing and accompaniments in four contrasting songs.	Unit: Communication Musical focus: Composition Children create a news programme, complete with theme music and school news headlines. Using songs and raps, this musical news bulletin will alert the school to the burning issues of the day! Unit: Time Musical focus: Beat Music featuring bells and clocks helps the children to understand rhythm and syncopation. They learn to sing and play bell patterns, listen to an orchestral clock piece, and create their own descriptive music.	Unit: In the past Musical focus: Notation The children use a variety of notations to build performances from different periods and styles. They learn a Renaissance dance, walk down the aisle to Wagner's Bridal march and dance the mashed potato! Unit: Food and drink Musical focus: Performance The children cook up a musical feast. They enjoy a varied diet of healthy beans, exotic Tudor banquets and DIY pizzas before celebrating in a song performance.
Year 5	Unit: Our community Musical focus: Performance The song Jerusalem provides the basis for looking at changes through time. The children are given opportunities to compose and perform music inspired by	Unit: Solar system Musical focus: Listening Embark on a musical journey through the solar system, exploring how our universe inspired composers including Claude Debussy, Gustav Holst and George Crumb. The	Unit: Life cycles Musical focus Structure Explore the human life cycle with music by Johannes Brahms, Luciano Berio, Franz Liszt and Claudio Monteverdi. The wide variety of musical moods, styles and genres	Unit: Keeping healthy Musical focus: Beat From body-popping and gospel- singing to swimming and cycling, the children are taken through their paces, and they put together an invigorating performance using new musical	Unit: At the movies Musical focus: Composition Explore music from 1920s animated films to present day movies. The children learn techniques for creating soundtracks and film scores, and they compose their own	Unit: Celebration Musical focus Performance A lively celebration in song for the children to perform at a class assembly, a school concert or fete. The celebratory, upbeat mood will soon have the audience joining

inspires singing, performing

and composing using new techniques and structures.

Unit: Growth

Musical focus: Street

Dance Performance

'The street' is the setting for

this unit of buskers and flash

mobs. The children explore

their local community, both

past and present.

Unit: World Unite

Musical focus: Step

Dance Performance

Get into the groove by

exploring rhythm and melody

in singing, movement and

Year 6

children learn a song, and

compose pieces linked to

space.

Unit: Journeys

Musical focus: Song Cycle

Performance

The theme of challenging

journeys in life resonates

through this selection of songs

techniques.

Unit: Roots

Musical focus: MiniMusical

Performance

A complete musical

performance about the

effects of the slave trade on

movie music.

Year 6 Production

Musical focus: Performance

An ideal opportunity to

celebrate the children's

achievements at the end of

primary school with a musical

in.

Unit: Appreciate Live

and

Recorded Music

Year 6 Production and

Leavers' Assembly



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The at "	dance. The children learn	with thoughts of change and	Ravel's Bolero through	a West African village. The	production. Children learn to	Musical focus: Performance
PRIMA	about beat, syncopation, pitch	transition, and binds them in	rhythmical mine, learn songs	integrated music features	perform to a wider audience.	Songs, looking back and looking
	and harmony, and take a trip	an optimistic and uplifting song	with instrumental	traditional Ghanaian songs and		forward, and a platform of
	around the world to celebrate	cycle performance.	accompaniments, and create a	percussion rhythms, and the		performances (speech, poetry,
	the universal language of		dance to build into a thrilling	infamous Spiderman Anansi,		dance) for linking them to
	music.		street performance.	who saves the day.		provide a moving celebration
						of the children's happy
						memories and their hopes for
						the future.