

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Listening: Identify musical conventions and inter- related dimensions.	Describe sound e.g. whistling, twinkly. Begin to react to changes in the music such as tempo or dynamics by explaining or moving.	Begin to identify the sound with the intended message. Recognise changes in the music e.g. slower/faster, quieter/louder .	Begin to recognise how composers use music to tell the story or message of their piece. Recognise changes in tempo, dynamics and pitch.	Begin to identify musical conventions being employed in a variety of pieces. Begin to identify how the interrelated dimensions of music are used to effect the mood and message of the piece.	Begin to place music with guidance into historical context e.g. Baroque, Classical, Romantic, 20th Century or genre e.g. minimalist, samba. Identify specific interrelated dimensions of music in a variety of styles.	Develop an understandin g of music across time and place. Use an increasing musical vocabulary to respond to music.	Place music within both time and place.
Listening: Recognise sound and instruments	Begin to recognise classroom instruments. Listen to sound effects.	Begin to recognise some instrumental sounds and name classroom instruments.	Begin to recognise instruments aurally.	Begin to recognise the sound of different sections of the orchestra and a variety of instruments within each section.	Aurally and by sight identify a variety of instruments.	Begin to recognise a broader range of ensemble and instruments relating to different styles of music.	Confidently recognise different orchestral instruments and instruments specific to an genre or era.
Composing: Improvisation	Explore and create sounds using voice, body percussion, instruments	Improvise simple vocal chants and pitch and rhythm patterns.	Improvise Q and A phrases with words, rhythm and pitch.	 Improvise in response to a stimulus. Improvise singing and playing with given notes to 	Improvise body percussion, words, rhythmic and melodic pattern within	Improvise 8 beat rhythmic patterns and melodic patterns over an octave.	Improvise and refine rhythms and melodic ideas over a drone or chord sequence



	and found sounds. Explore how sounds can be changed from loud to quiet, fast to slow and high to low.			create simple rhythmic patterns and melodic ideas.	an ensemble and as a conversation.	Improvise over a drone with a sense of shape and steady pulse.	demonstratin g a sense of musical phrase. Improve melodies using the notes of the chord and passing notes.
Composing: Notation	Introduced to symbols and images to order and convey sound.	Begin to explore how images can be used to create graphic scores. Explore symbols for rhythm and pitch.	 Use images and symbols to structure pieces using graphic score. Select stick notation for rhythm and dot notation for pitch. 	Record ideas using sign and symbols including graphic score, pitch and rhythm notation creating three note melodies.	Demonstrate increasing confidence in recording ideas using sign and symbols including graphic score and pitch and rhythm notation.	Demonstrate increase confidence and accuracy using various forms of notation to record musical ideas.	Combine rhythmic and pitch notation selecting the most appropriate notation to record musical ideas.
Composing: Creative process	Create new verses, words and actions to a song and create sequences of sounds in response to a given stimulus.	 Select and describe sounds to create music in response to a stimulus. Compose simple melodies using G and E. Explore dynamics and tempo in relation to mood or message. 	 Explore and use changes in pitch dynamics, duration and tempo. Select sounds and instruments to demonstrate mood or message. Compose lyric, three note melodies and rhythms using known notation. 	 Contribute ideas with consideration of the structure (beginning, middles, end) and theme of the music. Demonstrate application of tempo, dynamics, and texture. Combine rhythm and pitch to create 	 Contribute appropriate ideas expressing musical opinions for creating and improving work. Create melodies using the pentatonic scale in relation to a stimulus. 	Explore and combine sounds with growing confidence, taking simple ideas to develop further in composition with satisfying structure. Develop rhythmic and melodic ideas of greater length and	 Identify the strength and areas for development in a piece and use this to refine work. Use more complex rhythmic notation and pitches over an octave to create melodies, chord sequences



				thee pitch melodies.	Write lyrics and compose melodies for those lyrics using the pentatonic scale.	musical shape with consideration of the inter- related dimensions. Compose music with several parts with consideration of harmony to evoke mood.	and bass lines. Create and structure music with multiple parts including chordal accompanime nt, rhythmic accompanime nt, melody and drone using key features of different genres.
Performing: Technical control	Distinguish between singing and speaking. Copy simple rhythms patterns using instruments, body sounds and the voice with an introduction to a steady pulse and pitch.	Sing simple sounds with an awareness of pitch and following visual direction (start, stop, loud, quiet). Play to a steady pulse. Play repeated rhythms and word pattern chants.	 Sing with developing control of pitch. Follow directions for dynamics and tempo when singing and playing. Find and perform the pulse with increasing success. Identify and mark beat groupings. Accompany singing with actions and body sounds 	 Sing with projection and clear dictation over a greater range of pitches, leaping and stepping and accurately match the starting pitch. Perform with consideration to simple dynamic instructions. Play a simple rhythmic accompanime nt or drone maintaining a steady pulse. 	 Sign with greater control of breath and awareness of dynamics. Pitch with increasing accuracy over a larger range including leaps and harmony. Play melodies and accompanime nts across a small range of pitches. Accurately maintain an individual rhythm within 	 Sign and play to convey mood and emotion to enhance the intended effect. Confidently match pitches across a wider range of notes, leaps, lengths and rhythmic complexity. Confidently demonstrate a secure sense of pulse when playing and singing in parts. 	Demonstrate musicality in the control and production of sound using expression. Sing confidently with control and accurately match pitch across a range of notes; leaps, lengths and rhythmic complexity in unison, in parts and as a soloist.



				Confidently demonstrate a secure sense of pulse when singing and playing a variety of instruments fluidly in unison and within an ensemble in parts and different time signatures.
Performing: Notation	Begin to follow symbols and images. Begin to relate images to sounds. Follow pictures and symbols to guide singings and playing.	graphic performing per	recognise and perform from simple western notation across a pentatonic scale. The follow rhythm grids The cognise and perform from simple western notation across a pentatonic scale.	
Performing: Ensemble awareness	Begin to start and stop together with others. Begin to start and stop performance indications for start, stop, and gradually change dynamics.	increased performance indep when and in	m part within an endently ensemble. • Perform in	 Lead others into a performance controlling the tempo of the pulse. Physically and aurally lead other in performance controlling the tempo, dynamics and pulse within an ensemble.



			through physical inflection.				Play as an ensemble in multiple parts.
Performing: Communicati on and audience	Explore sounds using instruments and voice, showing awareness of tempo and dynamics.	Begin to control sounds demonstratin g subtle changes, gradually louder, quieter, faster, and slower.	Begin to control sounds with intention.	Develop confidence to perform as an individual and within a group.	Show increased confidence and commitment when performing to an audience.	Demonstrate increased confidence when performing, showing an awareness that a performance in an occasion.	Confidently perform considering style or message of the music.