

Music Skills Progression West Ashton Primary School

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<b>Music</b>	Enjoys listening to music	Responds to music	Talks about how music makes them feel		Understands emotion through music and can identify if music is 'happy, scary or sad'.		<b>Confident to express their own opinion on music and musical instruments. Can identify some instruments heard in music.</b>
	Explores various musical instruments through play		Explore the sounds musical instruments make and follow a basic beat with a simple instrument.  Can name some instruments.		Is able to name a wide variety of instruments including percussion instruments and use them to make a tune or follow a beat.		
<b>Singing and Dancing</b>	Moves to music	Copies basic actions	Learns short routines, beginning to match pace.		Learns longer dance routines, matching pace.		<b>Puts a sequence of actions together.</b>
	Beginning to watch performances for short periods of time.		Watches dance and performances	Shares likes and dislikes about dances and performances.	Replicates dances and performances.		<b>Beginning to improvise independently to create a simple dance.</b>
	Knows some words when singing	Sings in a small group	Sings in a group, trying to keep in time.		Sings in a group, matching pitch and following melody.	Sings by themselves, matching pitch and following melody.	<b>Sings in tune and to the correct beat.</b>

KS1 Skills	Year 1	Year 2	KS2 Skills	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Controlling Sounds through singing and playing (Play and Perform)							

<b>Use voices expressively</b>	Use voices in different ways such as speaking, singing and chanting	Use voices expressively and creatively.  To sing with the sense of shape of the melody	<b>Sing songs in unison and two parts</b>	To sing in unison, becoming aware of pitch.	To sing in unison maintaining the correct pitch and using increasing expression.	To sing in unison with clear diction, controlled pitch and sense of phrase.	To sing in solo, unison and in parts with clear diction, controlled pitch and with sense of phrase
<b>Play tuned and un-tuned instruments</b>	To create and choose sounds  To perform simple rhythmical patterns, beginning to show an awareness of pulse.	To create and choose sounds for a specific effect.  To perform rhythmical patterns and accompaniments, keeping a steady pulse.	<b>To play tuned and un-tuned instruments with control and accuracy</b>	To perform simple rhythmic and musical parts, beginning to vary the pitch with a small range of notes.	To play and perform parts with an increasing number of notes, beginning to show musical expression by changing dynamics.	To play and perform parts in a range of solo and ensemble contexts with increasing accuracy and expression.	To play and perform with accuracy, fluency, control and expression
<b>Rehearse and perform with others</b>	To think about others when performing.	To think about others while performing	<b>To practise, rehearse and present performances with an awareness of the audience</b>	To think about others while performing.	To think about others while performing.	To maintain my own part and be aware how the different parts fit together.	To think about the audience when performing and how to create a specific effect.

<b>Creating and developing musical ideas (Create and Compose)</b>							
<b>Create musical patterns</b>	To know about and experiment with sounds	Repeat short rhythmic and melodic patterns	<b>Improvise, developing rhythmic and melodic material when performing</b>	To create simple rhythmical patterns that use a small range of notes.	To create rhythmical and simple melodic patterns using an increased number of notes.	To create increasingly complicated rhythmic and melodic phrases within given structures.	To create and improvise melodic and rhythmic phrases as part of a group performance and compose by developing ideas within a range of given musical structures.
<b>Explore, choose and organise sounds and musical ideas</b>	To recognise and explore how sounds can be organised.  To identify and organise sounds using simple criteria e.g. loud, soft, high low.	To begin to explore and choose and order sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music*.	<b>Explore, choose, combine and organise musical ideas with musical structures</b>	To begin to join simple layers of sound, e.g. a background rhythm and a solo melody.	To join layers of sound, thinking about musical dynamics of each layer and understanding the effect.		

Responding and reviewing appraising skills							
<b>Explore and express ideas and feelings about music using movement, dance and expressive and musical language.</b>	To talk about how music makes you feel or want to move. E.g. it makes me want to jump/sleep/shout etc.	To respond to different moods in music and explain thinking about changes in sound.	<b>Analyse and compare sounds</b>  <b>Explore and explain ideas and feelings about music using movement, dance and expressive and musical language.</b>	To explore and comment on the ways sounds can be used expressively.	To recognise and explore the ways sounds can be combined and used expressively and comment on this effect.	To describe, compare and evaluate different types of music beginning to use musical words.	To describe, compare and evaluate different types of music using a range of musical vocabulary including the inter-related dimensions of music*.
<b>To make improvements to my own work</b>	To think about, and make simple suggestions about, what could make their own work better, e.g. play faster, louder	To identify what improvements could be made to own work and make these changes, including altering the use of voice, playing of and the choice of instruments	<b>To reflect on and improve own and others' work in relation to its intended effect</b>	To comment on the effectiveness of own work, identifying and making improvements	To comment on the effectiveness of own work; identifying and making improvements based on the intended outcome.	To comment on the success of own and others' work, suggesting improvements based on the intended outcome.	To evaluate the success of own and others' work; suggesting specific improvements based on the intended outcomes and comment on how this could be achieved.
Listening and applying knowledge and understanding							
<b>To listen with concentration and recall sounds within increasing aural memory.</b>	To begin to identify simple repeated patterns and follow basic musical instructions.	To identify and recognise repeated patterns and follow a wider range of musical instructions	<b>To listen with attention to detail and to internalise and recall sounds.</b>	To listen with attention and begin to recall sounds.	To listen to and recall patterns of sounds with increasing accuracy.	To listen to and recall a range of sounds and patterns of sounds confidently.	To listen to, internalise and recall sounds and patterns of sounds with accuracy and confidence.
<b>To know how the combined musical elements of pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture and silence can be organized and used expressively within simple structures.</b>	To begin to understand that musical elements can be used to create different moods and effects.	To understand how musical elements create different moods and effects.	<b>To know how the combined musical elements of pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture and silence can be organized within musical structures and used to communicate different moods and effects.</b>	To begin to understand how different musical elements are combined and used to create an effect.	To understand how different musical elements are combined and used expressively.	To begin to identify the relationship between sounds and how music can reflect different meanings.	To identify and explore the relationship between sounds and how music can reflect different meanings.

<b>To understand that sounds can be made in different ways and described using given and invented signs and symbols.</b>	To begin to represent sounds with simple sounds including shapes and marks.	To confidently represent sounds with a range of symbols, shapes or marks.	<b>To know that music is produced in different ways and described through relevant established and invented notations.</b>	To begin to recognise simple notations to represent music, including pitch and volume.	To understand and begin to use established and invented musical notations to represent music.	To recognise and use a range of musical notations including staff notation.	To use and apply a range of musical notations including staff notation, to plan, revise and refine musical material.
<b>To know how music is used for particular purposes</b>	To listen to short, simple pieces of music and talk about when and why they may hear it, e.g. lullaby or Wedding March.	To listen to pieces of music and discuss where and when they may be heard explaining why using simple musical vocab e.g it's quiet and smooth so it would be good for a lullaby.	<b>To understand how time and place can influence the way music is created.</b>	To listen to and begin to respond to music drawn from different traditions and great composers and musicians.	To listen to and understand a wide range of high quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions, great composers and musicians.	To listen to a range of high quality, live and recorded music from different traditions, composers and musicians and begin to discuss their differences and how music may have changed over time.	To develop an understanding of the history of music from different cultures, traditions, composers and musicians evaluating how venue, occasion and purpose effects the way that music is created and performed.

\*Inter-related dimensions of music (dynamics):

- **PULSE:** the steady beat of a piece of a piece of music
- **PITCH:** the melody and the way the notes change from low to high and vice versa.
- **RHYTHM:** or duration is the pattern of long and short sounds in a piece of music
- **DYNAMICS:** Loud and soft
- **TEMPO:** Fast and slow
- **TIMBRE:** The type of sound - whisper/hum/sing/talk (examples with the voice)  
or twinkly/hard/soft (examples with instruments)
- **TEXTURE:** Layers of sound (number of instruments or voices playing together)
- **STRUCTURE:** The way the music is laid out -e.g. Verse, chorus, verse.