Curriculum Overview: Music



In the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), music is taught in a playful, exploratory, and integrated way. The focus is on developing children's listening, movement, creativity, and communication skills through musical experiences, embedded through the **Expressive Arts and Design** area of learning.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
Nursery Cycle A	Musical activities that explore voices and classroom instruments.							
	Exploring Autumn Sing well known rhymes and songs in a small group.	Once Upon a Time Sing well-known songs and nursery rhymes in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Listen to a variety of music and talk about how it makes them feel.	Starry Night Listen with increasing attention to sounds. Joining in with repeated refrains and phrases in rhymes, songs and stories.	Dangerous Dinosaurs Remember and sing well known rhymes and songs.	Sunshine and Sunflowers Begin to sing the melody, pitch and tone of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings.	Big Wide World Sing the melody, pitch and tone of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.		
Nursery Cycle B	Me and My Community Sing well known rhymes and songs in a small group.	Sparkle and Shine Sing well-known songs and nursery rhymes in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.	Winter Wonderland Listen with increasing attention to sounds. Joining in with repeated refrains and phrases in rhymes, songs and stories.	Puddles and Rainbows Remember and sing well known rhymes and songs.	Shadows and Reflections Begin to sing the melody, pitch and tone of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Respond to what they have heard, expressing their	Splash! Sing the melody, pitch and tone of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.		

		Listen to a variety			thoughts and			
		of music and talk			feelings.			
		about how it makes			5			
		them feel.						
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Reception	Musical activities that embed pulse, rhythm and pitch, explore voices and classroom instruments.							
	Me!	My Stories	Everyone!	Our World	Big Bear Funk	Reflect, Rewind and		
Musical style:	Wide variety	Wide variety	Wide variety	Wide variety	Funk	Replay		
widdiedi Style.	Find the pulse,	Find the pulse,	Invent ways to find	Find the pulse and	Find a funky pulse,	Classical		
	copy-clap the	copy-clap rhythm of	the pulse, copy-clap	show others your	copy-clap 3- or 4-	Revise existing		
	rhythm of names,	small phrases from	rhythm of phrases	ideas, copy-clap	word phrases from	knowledge and		
	explore high and	the songs, explore	from songs, explore	some rhythms of	the song, keep the	skills.		
	low using voices	high and low pitch	high and low pitch	phrases from songs,	beat, add notes to	SKIIS.		
	and introduction to	in the context of	in the context of	explore high and	the rhythm of			
	classroom	songs, invent a	songs, use the	low pitch using the	words or phrases,			
	instruments.	pattern to go with a	starting note to	images from the	Enjoy playing			
	moti unicitto.	song using one	explore melodic	songs, use the	patterns using a			
		note.	patterns using one	starting note to	combination of any			
		note.	or two notes.	explore melodic	of three notes, C D			
			of two hotes.	patterns using one	E.			
				or two notes.	L.			
				of two notes.				
Year 1	Hey You!	Rhythm in The Way	In the Groove	Round and Round	Your Imagination	Reflect, Rewind and		
Musical style:	Old School Hip-Hop	Reggae	Blues, Baroque,	Bossa Nova	Рор	Replay		
	How pulse, rhythm	Pulse, rhythm and	Latin, Bhangra,	Pulse, rhythm and	Using your	Classical		
	and pitch work	pitch, rapping,	Folk, Funk	pitch in different	imagination.	Consolidating		
	together.	dancing and	How to be in the	styles of music.	Using voices and	learning and revise		
	Using voices and	singing.	groove with	Using voices and	instruments, listen	existing knowledge		
	instruments, listen		different styles of	instruments, listen	and sing back.	and skills.		
	and sing back.		music.	and sing back	using two notes,			
	Using two notes,		Using voices and	Using two notes,	with D moving to E.			
	with C moving to D.		instruments, listen	with D moving to E.	Improvisation.			
	Improvisation.		and sing back.	Improvisation.				
			Using two notes,					
			with C moving to D.					

			Improvisation			
Year 2	Hands, Feet, Heart	Но Но Но	I Wanna Play In A	Learning to play the	Friendship Song	Reflect, Rewind and
	Afropop, South	Wrapping and	Band	recorder	Рор	Replay
Musical style:	African	improvisation	Rock	Learning to play B,	A song about being	Classical
	South African	Festivals and	Playing together in	A, G on the	friends.	Consolidating
	music.	Christmas	a band.	recorder and join	Using voices and	learning and revise
	Using voices and		Using voices and	these notes.	instruments, listen	existing knowledge
	instruments, listen		instruments, listen		and sing back, then	and skills.
	and sing back.		and sing back.		listen and play your	
	Using two notes,		Using two notes,		own answer using	
	with C moving to D.		with F moving to G.		two notes, with C	
	Improvisation		Improvisation		moving to D.	
					Improvisation	





