		Music Progression of Skills			
		Class 2 (Yr1/2)	Class 3 (Yr3/4)	Class 4 (Yr5/6	
Performing - Singing		Pupils should be taught to: • use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes	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		
	Vocal Expression / Effects	Use their voices confidently to create sound effects Explore different types of voices Sing songs in different ways and discuss the effect	Use voices to create and control sounds (including tempo/speed-dynamics/volume and pitch)	Create different vocal effects when singing and rapping	
	Chants and Rhymes	Chant words expressively using known songs and rhymes Chant and clap in time with a steady pulse	Keep in time with a steady pulse when chanting, singing or moving. Be aware of correct posture whilst singing/playing Play singing games and clapping games Sing/perform rhythmically straightforward parts (i.e. minims, crotchets, quavers in simple common meter)	Sing songs in unison and two parts Maintain their own part when singing songs written in two parts Sing songs written in different metres - tap the pulse on the strong beats	
	Pitching	Sing songs while maintaining a steady beat: tapping/walking Sing songs at different speeds Sing the same song in different ways: loud, quiet; fast, slow, and in various moods Use the 'thinking voice' - ie sing the words in their head Play singing games in which children sing phrases alone	Sing words/phrases of a song in their heads (thinking voice) Sing with expression Sing/play appropriate material confidently and fluently Make improvements to singing - rehearse together to achieve objectives Use graphic notation to illustrate the shape and formation of melodies	Sing/play with increased control, expression, fluency and confidence Sing with clear diction, a sense of phrase and musical expression Control breathing, posture and sound projection Breathe in agreed places to identify phrases Recognise structures in known songs (identify repeated phrases)	

		Sing songs expressively increasingly in tune within a limited pitch Recognise phrase lengths and know when to breathe with an attention to posture Use movements to show phrases		Sing a round in two parts - identify the melodic phrases and how they fit together Use graphic/traditional/other notation to develop a deeper understanding of shape/form of melodies
Performing - Playing	Identify Instruments / Sound Effects	Perform each phrase in a different way Pupils should be taught to: • play tuned and un-tuned instruments musically Describe, name and group a variety of instruments Play instruments or use body percussion in	Pupils should be taught to: • play and perform in solo and ensemble control instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, Create and control sounds on instruments (included) Select instruments and create sounds to describe	control and expression cluding tempo/speed-dynamics/volume and
	Control	different ways to create sound effects and follow directions to 'perform' a story together Handle and play a variety of tuned and untuned instruments with control	Keep in time with a steady pulse when playing instruments	Play instruments with control and rhythmic accuracy
		Sing a song they know well - one group taps the pulse on their thighs the other group taps the rhythm with two fingers on the palm of their hands Add an instrument to play on the beat and	Perform a repeated pattern to a steady pulse Maintain own part with awareness of how the different parts fit together to achieve an overall effect	Perform a particular cyclic pattern i.e. rhythmic phrase structured, layered and repeated. SAMBA, STREET BAND or AFRICAN DRUMMING Perform a round confidently using voices and
		one to play with the rhythm The children mark the pulse of a song with stamps/ claps Chant/sing, clap the rhythm of the song;		instruments. Be aware of other parts when playing an independent part Play simple chords in sequence Demonstrate awareness of own contribution
		transfer the rhythm onto an un-tuned instrument; use it to accompany the chanting Count with a steady pulse		- leading others, taking a solo part and/or providing rhythmic support/accompaniment Subdivide the pulse keeping to a steady beat. e.g. count in 4s - one part plays every beat
		Contribute ideas and control sounds as part of a class composition and performance		(crotchets) another part plays every 2 beats (minims) holding each for 2 counts; another

				part plays every 4 beats (semi-breve) holding for 4 full beats
	Notation	Follow a conductor and be the conductor themselves, responding to a range of gestures for: start/stop, slow/fast, loud/quiet Make a picture label for each group of instruments Play together, using symbols as a support Talk about and devise signs/gestures/ symbols for the concepts: high/low, fast/slow, long/short Make two flash cards, one for long and one for short sounds	Play new pieces by ear and from simple notations	Perform significant parts from memory and from notations
		Perform long and short sounds in response to symbols		
		Play and sing phrases from dot notation using 'pitch cards' - High/Middle/Low - Interpret the pattern on the card e.g. H-H-L or L-M-H or H-L-H		
	Evaluating	Evaluate own music and that of others Discuss what was good	Suggest and make improvements to work and that of others, commenting on the intended effect and how to achieve it	Rehearse with others and help achieve a high-quality performance showing an awareness of the audience
		Suggest how it might be improved	Contribute to a class performance Rehearse together to achieve objectives	Refine and improve their own and others' work in relation to the intended effect
			Suggest Ideas and preparations for performances	Perform with awareness of audience, venue and occasion
Improvising and Experimenting		Pupils should be taught to: • experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music	 Pupils should be taught to: improvise and compose music for a range of of music listen with attention to detail and recall sour 	nds with increasing aural memory
	Explore and Make Sounds	Explore different sounds using body percussion	Recognise and explore the ways sounds can be combined and used expressively Identify how songs are structured and accompanied	Develop musical imagination through experimenting, improvising and adapting sounds

	Make various sound effects to describe selected/ thematic words Suggest which instruments would make a particular sound Select sounds and sound sources carefully in response to a story suggest what sounds could be added to depict ideas Make own short sequence of sounds using symbols as a support Make sounds and recognise how they can communicate ideas Create and choose sounds in response to stimulus e.g. night-time, the seaside etc. Suggest instruments that make sounds like those described by the selected words and create sound pictures Children order sounds in response to the stimulus and make their own short sequence of sounds using symbols as a support	Express song meanings/lyrics using voices or instruments Identify and control different ways instruments make sounds	Explore different textures of un-tuned sounds Explore the relationship between sounds Explore different combinations of vocal sounds
Control ar Change Sc	,	Explore repeated patterns in music/ art/dance Create repeated patterns and combine several layers of sound with awareness of the combined effect	Devise more complex rhythmic patterns using semi-quavers and rests Improvise rhythmic patterns over a steady pulse with confidence Fit different rhythmic patterns together and maintain own part with awareness of the pulse

		Explore the effect of silence Experiment and change sounds Make instruction flash cards showing		
		selected words or symbols and hold up to play from to help children remember the different sections of a composition Experiment to improve the intended effect		
	Create Rhythms	Give the composition a title Begin to internalise and create rhythmic	Improvise - devise melodic phrases - using	Recognise combinations of pitched sounds -
	and Melodies	patterns Use words/phrases (these could be from songs days of week/months of year) - tap them out	pentatonic scales (limited range of notes: DEGAB or CDEGA)	concords and discords Identify and play CM diatonic Chords C-F-G-Am-Dm
		Make up simple dance patterns – keeping in time with the pulse and including rhythms		Improvise - developing rhythmic and melodic material within given structures - when performing
		Use voices to provide sound effects Create long and short sounds on instruments		
		Find and play by ear, phrases of well-known songs on tuned instruments		
		Make up three-note tunes independently Record their own tunes - use colours instead of note names		
		Create songs of their own using high- middle-low pitches		
	Electronic		Use ICT/electronic devices, (microphones and recording equipment) to change and manipulate sounds	Use ICT / electronic devices, (microphones and recording equipment) to change and manipulate sounds
Composing			Pupils should be taught to:	

	• improvise and compose music for a range of	purposes using the inter-related dimension of	
	music		
	listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory		
	• use and understand staff and other musical notations		
	Combine sounds to create textures Create	Create textures by combining sounds	
	sequences of sound - musical structures	create textures by combining sounds	
	which express ideas or moods using	Compose music to describe images	
	lyrics/sounds/movements-actions	compose music to describe images	
	Tyrics, sourids, movements decions	Create music that describes two contrasting	
	Compose sequences using notated rhythms	moods	
	Join sequences together to create structures	Internalise sounds, then select, combine and	
	of rhythmic, descriptive or dance patterns	exploit a range of different sounds to	
	, , ,	compose a sound-scape stimulated	
	Select and sequence pitches (limited range)	by(topic)	
	to create melodic phrases	, , , ,	
	·	Develop more complex rhythmic ideas	
	Add words to melodic phrases to create a	Devise rhythmic, melodic and harmonic	
	class/group song	accompaniments	
	Compose music in pairs - and small groups	Apply knowledge and understanding of how	
		the combined musical elements of pitch,	
	Explore, choose, combine, organise and	duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture	
	record musical ideas within musical	and silence can be organised within musical	
	structures	structures/forms and used to communicate	
		different moods and effects	
	Use a variety of notations including 'graphic		
	score' - pictograms etc	Compose music for different occasions using	
		appropriate musical features and devices	
		(melody, rhythms, chords and structures)	
	Develop an ability to represent sounds and		
	symbols in movement/words/with	Use standard and additional methods of	
	instruments	notation as appropriate across a range of	
		different contexts	
	Use staff notation as a support	Do surger of some of the basis was in a selection of	
	Look at the manning and fallow and want	Be aware of some of the basic major scales	
	Look at the music and follow each part	Dlay from pitched notation (road music)	
		Play from pitched notation (read music)	
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		Show understanding of how music is	
		produced in different ways and described	

				through relevant established and invented notations	
Listening, Developing Knowledge and Understanding		Pupils should be taught to: • listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high quality live and recorded music	traditions and from great composers and musi develop an understanding of the history of m	ide range of high-quality music drawn from different sers and musicians	
	Listening	Listen to short excerpts of music from a variety of styles, genres and traditions Identify a variety of instruments that can be heard and describe sounds Identify the pulse in different pieces of music Tap knees in time with 'steady beat' music Listen to different sounds in the environment Recall short sequences / patterns of sounds Sing a familiar song, identify then tap the rhythm of the words Sing back melodic phrases from known songs Listen to pieces of music that describe e.g. The Sea/ Fireworks etc Describe different images created by music Identify features e.g. Loud/quiet, fast/slow, high/low, pulse, rhythm, sound effects Listen to a selection of music that has long (often slow) and short (often fast) sounds Recognise long and short sounds and make	Listen with attention to detail and internalize and recall sounds with increasing aural memory Learn new songs quickly; sing from memory Identify rhythmic patterns, instruments and repetitions of sound/pattern Internalise short melodies and play these on pitched instruments (play by ear) Analyse and compare different sound qualities (TIMBRES) instrumental, vocal, environmental/ natural, synthesised Explain how sounds can create different intended effects Recognise how the different musical elements are combined and used expressively	Identify musical features (scale, arpeggio, canon, drone, dynamics, ostinato, timbre) Analyse and comment on the effectiveness of how sounds, images and lyrics are used to create different moods Recognise different tempi – speeds of music Identify different meters – grouping of the beat – counting and feeling the pulse on the strong beat Describe the effect of different combinations of pitched notes using the terms tense-discord, relaxed -concord Appraise own work by comparing/contrasting with work of others Improve performance through listening, internalising and analysing	
		longer and shorter sounds with their voices			

Knowledge and	Recall and perform rhythmic patterns to a	Identify descriptive features in art and music	Listen with concentration and some
Understanding	steady pulse		engagement to longer pieces of instrumental
		Explore and explain their own ideas and	and vocal music
	Use instruments to copy back 4-beat	feelings about music using movement,	
	rhythm patterns	dance, expressive language and musical	Explore and explain their own ideas and
		vocabulary	feelings about music using movement,
	Introduce the Xylophone or metallophone		dance, expressive language and musical
		Evaluate how venue, occasion and purpose	vocabulary
	Play 'High-middle-low': prepare two chime	affects the way music is created performed	
	bars an octave apart	and heard	Identify how music reflects different
			intentions Identify how music reflects time
	Introduce the middle note, G	Describe, compare and evaluate different	and place
		kinds of music using an appropriate musical	
	Illustrate stories or nursery rhymes by	vocabulary	Show knowledge and understanding of how
	playing up or down the notes at	,	time and place can influence the way music
	appropriate moments	Develop an understanding of a wide range of	is created, performed and heard
		live and recorded music from different	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Use movement and dance to reinforce the	styles, genres and traditions from a variety	Identify and explore musical device
	enjoyment of music and the sense of pulse	of composers and musicians	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
			Describe, compare and evaluate different
	Respond to long and short sounds through		kinds of music using an appropriate musical
	movement - match actions to long and		vocabulary e.g. pitch, tempo. timbre, lyrics
	short sounds		vocabalary e.g. piteri, terripo. tirribre, tyrics
	Short Sounds		Develop a broad understanding of a wide
	Talk about high and low sounds in the		range of live and recorded music from
	environment and everyday life and imitate		different styles, genres and traditions from a
	them with voices		
	them with voices		variety of composers and musicians
	Use hand position to reinforce high middle		
	Use hand position to reinforce high, middle, low		
	low		
	Sing back moladic phrases from known		
	Sing back melodic phrases from known		
	songs		
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	Express thoughts and feelings about music		
	and respond physically through simple		
	demonstration, language, movement and		
	other art forms, giving simple justifications		
	of reasons for response		