

Statutory Na	tional Curriculum Ob	jectives – Music						
KS1 pupils	 use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes ● play tuned and untuned 							
should be	instruments musi	instruments musically ● listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music ●						
taught:	experiment with,	create, select and c	ombine sounds usi	ng the inter-related	dimensions of music.			
KS2 pupils	Pupils should be t	aught to develop th	eir techniques, inc	luding their control	and their use of materials, v	vith creativity,		
should be	experimentation	and an increasing av	wareness of differe	nt kinds of art, craft	and design. Pupils should b	e taught: • to play and		
taught:	perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency,							
	control and expre	ssion. • improvise a	and compose music	for a range of purp	ooses using the inter-related	dimensions of music •		
	listen with attenti	on to detail and rec	all sounds with inc	reasing aural memo	ory • use and understand sta	ff and other musical		
	notations • appre	ciate and understar	nd a wide range of	high-quality live and	d recorded music drawn fron	n different traditions		
	and from great co	mposers and music	ians • develop an	understanding of th	e history of music			
	Performing	Performing	Composing	Listening	Dynamics of Music	Reviewing		
	Instruments	Singing			(texture/duration/pitch/			
					timbre/tempo/dynamics/			
					structure/notation			
EYFS	I can play my	I can use my	● I can take	I can use	(T)I can perform simple	I understand that		
	instruments	voice in different	turns at pattern	non-verbal	accompaniments to a	different instruments		
	safely and pick	ways e.g.	making. ● I can	methods to	melody. ● (D)I can	produce different		
	them up and	whispering,	put my sounds	describe how	differentiate between	sounds. ● I can use		
	put them down	speaking,	together with	music makes me	long and short sounds. ●	non-verbal methods		
	quietly. ● I can	singing, thinking.	someone else's.	feel e.g. using	(D)I can show an	to show my opinion		
	stand or sit to	I can use big,		face cards to	awareness of pulse. • (P)	e.g. thumbs up or		
	perform. ● I can	clear, mouth		describe music	I can differentiate	down.		
	remain quiet	shapes to form		that makes me	between high and low			
	whilst waiting	words. ● I have		feel happy or	sounds. • (P) I can show			
	for a turn. ● I	begun to find		sad. ● I can	changes in pitch using			
	can watch and	my singing		respond to	tuned percussion e'g'			
	follow the	voice, both on		music with	steps, slides, jumps. ● (Ti)			
	leader's signals	my own and		movement,	I can explore sounds and			
		with others. ● I			classify sound makers e.g			



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		can sing a		e.g.stomp,	shake, tap, scrape. ● I	
		repertoire of		tiptoe,walk, run.	understand that different	
		chants and 3			instruments produce	
		and 3 tone			different sounds. ● I can	
		songs from			use non-verbal methods	
		memory.			to show my opinion e.g.	
					thumbs up or down.	
					Progression of	
					knowledge – Music ● (Ti)	
					I can choose sounds to	
					accompany a song or	
					story. ● (Tel) I can	
					differentiate between	
					fast and slow. ● (D) I can	
					differentiate between	
					loud and quiet sounds. ●	
					(St) I can start and stop	
					when playing with	
					others. • (N) I can use	
					pictures to represent and	
					organise sounds. ● I can	
					write/draw patterns to	
					represent long and short	
					sounds. ● I can use	
					words/pictures to create	
					rhythm patterns.	
KS1	I can sit silently	I can use	• I can choose	I can describe	(T) I can layer patterns	I can suggest changes
	with an	internalisation	and order	music and	together. • (T) I can	to the performances
	instrument. ● I	(the thinking	sounds and	express my	decide on combinations	by using the opposites
	can perform to	voice) with	patterns. ● I	feelings about	of sound for a particular	(faster/slower,
	people I don't	some accuracy	can compose in	the mood of	task. • (D) I can control	



knov	w. ● I can	and control. ● I	a small group	music through	changes in duration –	louder/quieter,higher/
resp	ond to the	can sing with an	with other	words or	longer/shorter sounds. •	lower).
need	ds of	awareness of	children.	pictures. ● I can	(D) I can keep a steady	
diffe	erent	pitch and		respond to	pulse and play at	
perfe	forming	phrase,		instructions	different speeds. ● (D) I	
locat	tions. ● I	following the		given musically,	can clap back a simple	
can	practise and	shape of the		using my body	rhythm. ● (D) I can	
refin	ne	melody. ● I can		and instruments.	differentiate between	
perfe	formances in	set a starting		I can listen	pulse and rhythm. ● (D) I	
grou	ups and as a	pitch for a song.		and. ● I can	can use a rhythmic	
class	S.	I can sing with		listen and	ostinato to accompany a	
		good posture		respond to a	song. ● (P) I can control	
		and breathing		specific question	changes in pitch with my	
				about a piece of	voice and instruments –	
				music, e.g.	higher/lower. ● (P) I can	
				identify chorus.	create and perform	
				I can listen to	simple melodies using	
				other people	two tones of a tuned	
				perform with	instrument. ● (Ti) I can	
				increasing	differentiate between	
				discernment	metal, wood, tuned,	
				saying what I like	tuned and un-tuned	
				and dislike about	instruments. ● (Ti) I can	
				the piece.	choose sounds to	
					represent ideas	
					e.g.shakers for leaves	
					falling off the tree). ● (Ti)	
					I can accompany songs	
					with thought to the	
					meaning/mood. ● (Te) I	
					can control changes in	



					tempo with my body and instruments e.g. faster/slower. • (Dy) I can control changes in dynamics with my voice and instruments e.g louder/quieter. • I can suggest changes to the performances by using the opposites (faster/slower, louder/quieter, higher/	
					knowledge – Music • (Dy) I can choose appropriate dynamics for songs and accompaniment. • (St) I can understand that a piece of music is made up of different sections e.g. beginning, ending, verse, chorus. • (N) I can perform sounds (including pitch and rhythm) from a simple grphic score, (1 or 2 line).	
					• I can use symbols to notate my compositions.	
Lower KS2	I can perform as part of a team.	• I can perform as part of a	I understand that composers	• I can listen to short extracts	I can use texture for special effects. ● I can	I can suggest improvements to



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• I can carry on	team. • I can	think and plan,	commentating	recognise ensembles –	group compositions,
if I make a	carry on if I	make music and	on aspects of	orchestra, choir etc. ● I	using the appropriate
mistake. ● I can	make a mistake.	try to make it	the music eg.	can recognise and use	vocabulary ● I can use
change the way	I can change	better. ● I can	The genre. ● I	simple rhythmic notation	an extended musical
music is	the way music is	both be in	can listen to a	• I can tap a pulse in	vocabulary to express
performed to	performed to	charge of a	piece several	different metres (2, 3,	personal taste.
reflect the	reflect the	group and take	times in order to	4,,5) ● I can improvise a	
occasion. ● I can	occasion. ● I can	directions when	get to know it. ●	rhythm over a steady	
perform by ear	perform by ear	working on a	I can be a good	pulse. • I can explore and	
and by using	and by using	composition.	audience	create melodies that use	
forms of	forms of		member,	steps and leaps and a	
notation.	notation.		showing	wide range of notes. ● I	
			willingness to	can show an	
			listen,	understanding of scales	
			concentrate and	in my compositions and	
			respond. ● I can	performances e.g.	
			listen and	pentatonic, blues, Raga.	
			comment on	I understand the	
			music from	concept of, and use, the	
			different	'home note when	
			historical	composing. ● I can select	
			periods,	a sound or instrument to	
			displaying	achieve an effect e.g.	
			increasing	quiet playing on chime	
			understanding of	bars to create something	
			the factors that	peaceful ● I can identify	
			have influenced	families of instruments	
			the	and world instruments	
			development of	e.g. wind, brass, African	
			different genres	drums. ● I can use a	
			over time. E.g.	range of changes in	



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	role of the slave	tempo, both gradually	
	trade in bringing	and suddenly. ● I can use	
	African rhythms	tempo for effects. ● I can	
	to the west.	change dynamics	
		gradually or abruptly. ● I	
		can suggest	
		improvements to group	
		compositions , using the	
		appropriate vocabulary ●	
		I can use an extended	
		musical vocabulary to	
		express personal taste.	
		Progression of	
		knowledge – Music ● I	
		can use dynamics to	
		improve the quality of	
		my compositions. ● I can	
		understand and make	
		use of intalian terms – f,	
		p, mf, mp, crescendo,	
		diminuendo. ● I can	
		explore and compose	
		using simple structures	
		e.g. binary, rondo,	
		question and answer. • I	
		can create my own	
		ostinato and riffs	
		(rhythms and melodic)	
		and play them in time	
		with others. • I can use a	
		graphic score with a	



		more complex texture. • I can recognise crotchets, crotchet rests, quavers, minims, semibreves and use them to compose and perform rhythms.	
● I can play confidently to a variety of audiences. ● I can play in ensemble, taking an individual part showing an awareness of balance. ● I can lead a group by counting in, beating time etc. ● I can recover from mistakes in a performance.			