Nursery Term 1



Term	Title	About the unit	Song Bank	Watch and listen	Suggested books to explore
Autumn 1	Let's be friends!	This unit is all about making friends, turn-taking, sharing, working together, and building confidence and unity in a classroom full of new faces.	 Hello, let's go! Let's be friends Pass the secret round The high 5 chant 	 Let's be friends! Lyric video Meet the musician Jessie on clarinet! Video Let's be friends! Action video 	 Lost and found (Oliver Jeffers) Be a friend (Salina Yoon) Stick and stone (Beth Ferry) Superworm (Julia Donaldson) Elmer's friends (David McKee) Duck and penguin are not friends (Julia Woolf) Puffin Peter (Petr Horácek) Will you be my friend? (Mollie Potter)
Autumn 2	Travel and movement	This unit is all about different ways that we can move and travel from one place to another. Whether we move our bodies in different ways to get around, or if we get on a train, bus, or car What about if we could fly? Let's see where our imaginations take us!	 How did you get to school today? This my walking song Get on the train 	 This my walking song - Live video Get on the train - Lyric video Get on the train - Virtual jam video Meet the musician - Beka on violin - Video Emporer Penguins migrating - National Geographic Video Soar with migrating birds - National Geographic Video How would it feel? - Listening sample Red, red scooter - Listening sample 	 Night monkey, day monkey (Julia Donaldson) The train ride (June Crebbin) Hiking day (Anne Rockwell) From my window (Otávio Júnior) Lost and found (Oliver Jeffers) Everywhere, wonder (Matthew Swanson) Some dogs do (Jez Alborough) Rosa rides her scooter (Jessica Spanyol)

Nursery Term 2



Term	Title	About the unit	Song Bank	Watch and listen	Suggested books to explore
Spring 1	This is me	This unit is all about exploring who we are! How we say hello, how old we are, our families, our likes and dislikes, and what makes us special and unique.	 I say hello like this The family song Yes I can! We're all amazing This is me, I am 3 	 Assumptions of gender roles! Video We're all amazing Lyric video We're all amazing Live musician video Yes I can! Lyric video This is me, I am 3 Demonstration video Questions - Demonstration video Meet the musician Rosie on handpan Video Don Quixote by Carlos Acosta Video A day in the life of a child in urban Kenya BBC video 	 What we'll build (Oliver Jeffers) And tango makes three (Justin Richardson & Peter Parnell) The family book (Todd Parr) The great big book of families (Mary Hoffman) The Smeds and the Smoos (Julia Donaldson) All are welcome (Alexandra Penfold) Julian is a mermaid (Jessica Love) From the stars in the sky to the fish in the sea (Kai Cheng Thom) Red: A crayon's story (Michael Hall) Pink is for boys (Robb Pearlman) The rainbow fish (Marcus Pfister) All people are beautiful (Vincent Kelly)
Spring 2	Animal tea party	This unit is all about an animal tea party! We'll be asking the children to invite their own cuddly toys, as well as baking some delicious cakes for the party. We'll also be exploring animal movements and sounds, and will be discovering some musical terms through the song and activity Bang my drum.	 I see animals! Animal circle time Bake, bake, bake Animal tea party Bang my drum 	 Animal tea party Lyric video Animal rhythms Activity video Animal rhythms Rhythmic backing track Bang my drum Lyric video Our animal songs Playlist Twinkle, twinkle little star by Zosia on cello Video Makaton signs for bake and cake Video 	 The story orchestra, Carnival of the animals (Katy Flint) Magnificent creatures: Animals on the move! (Anna Wright) Animal music (Julia Donaldson) Animal opposites (Petr Horácek) The tiger who came to tea (Judith Kerr) Chocolate cake (Michael Rosen) Mini rabbit not lost (John Bond)

Nursery Term 3



Term	Title	About the unit	Song Bank	Watch and listen	Suggested books to explore
Summer 1	I've got feelings	This unit is all about exploring our feelings and emotions. Music is an incredible tool to express our feelings through song, which we will do in the some of the songs and warm ups, but we'll also be exploring the breadth of different emotions through sounds and music that we listen to. What do certain sounds make us feel? How could we express our own feelings through the sounds and music that we make?	 How are you? Happy happy happy I've got feelings 	 Introduction to the unit Video Happy happy happy Lyric video Happy happy happy Makaton demonstration I've got feelings Lyric video A stormy soundscape Body precussion video A stormy soundscape With instruments video Meet the musician Jessie on clarinet! Video Meet the musician Rosanna on the flute! Video Inside out: guessing the feeling Video Musical feelings Listening track 	 Dogger (Shirley Hughes) Lost and found (Oliver Jeffers) Are you my mother? (P. D. Eastman) The day the crayons quit (Oliver Jeffers) Rainbow fish (Marcus Pfister) Ruby's worry (Tom Percival) Ravi's roar! (Tom Percival)
Summer 2	Let's jam!	This unit is all about developing our love for music, exploring different sounds and instruments, as well as playing together as a 'band' and in small groups. In a culture where often being a 'singer' or a musician is associated with TV auditions, pop stars, and celebrities, we want to emphasise the importance of enjoying music for music's sake! There's so much joy to be found in taking part in ensembles, singing together, and freedom in playing freely through improvisation. Having fun making music can have a huge impact on the cohesion of your class, and the wellbeing of the children.	 Tap your name Let's Jam! Shake and stop Who's in the band? 	 Let's jam - Musician video Meet the musician - Raph on trombone - Video Meet the musician - Rosie on cajon - Video 	 Little people big dreams: Aretha Franklin and Stevie Wonder (Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara & Amy Blackwell) Ella queen of jazz (Helen Hancocks) Where are all the instruments? (Nathan Holder) Drum dream girl (MS Engle) The story of the orchestra (Levine & Hamilton) Trombone Shorty by Troy Andres and Bryan Collier

Reception Term 1



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	3	l've got a grumpy face	TimbreBeatPitch contour	 Explore making sound with voices and percussion instruments to create different feelings and moods. Make up new words and actions about different emotions and feelings. Sing with a sense of pitch, following the shape of the melody with voices. Mark the beat of the song with actions. 	I've got a grumpy faceHappy	 Happy (Pharrell Williams) 'The Imperial march' from Star wars (John Williams) 'Dance of the sugar plum fairy' from The nutcracker (Ichaikovsky)
Autı	3	The sorcerer's apprentice	 Musical storytelling Louder/quieter Faster/slower Higher/lower Timbre 	 Explore storytelling elements in the music and create a class story inspired by the piece. Identify and describe contrasts in tempo and dynamics. Begin to use musical terms (louder/quieter, faster/slower, higher/lower). Respond to music in a range of ways e.g. movement, mark making, writing. 	• Alice the camel	 The sorcerer's apprentice (Dukas) Percussion instruments for kids BBC Young Musician 2020 Percussion final Fantasia (Disney animation)
Autumn 2	3	Witch, witch	Call-and- responsePitch (la-so-mi-do)Timbre	 Make up a simple accompaniment using percussion instruments. Use the voice to adopt different roles and characters. Match the pitch of a four-note (la-so-mi-do) call-and-response song. 	• Witch, witch	• <i>Witch, witch</i> teaching video.
Aut	3	Row, row, row your boat	BeatPitch (step/leap)Timbre	 Make up new lyrics and vocal sounds for different kinds of transport. Sing a tune with 'stepping' and 'leaping' notes. Play a steady beat on percussion instruments. 	Row, row, row your boatThe transport song	 Rowing a boat video Row, row, row your boat The transport song

Reception Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
ng 1	3	Birdspotting: Cuckoo polka	 Active listening Beat Pitch (so-mi) Vocal play 	 Explore the range and capabilities of voices through vocal play. Develop a sense of beat by performing actions to music. Develop 'active' listening skills by recognising the 'cuckoo call' in a piece of music. (so-mi). Enjoy moving freely and expressively to music. 		 The blue Danube (Strauss) Various bird song video clips Video clip of the cuckoo echo song Cuckoo polka (Strauss) The lark ascending (Vaughan Williams)
Spring	3	Shake my sillies out	 Timbre Pitch (higher/ lower) Tempo (faster/ slower) Beat 	 Listen to music and show the beat with actions. Sing an action song with changes in speed. Play along with percussion instruments. Create a sound story using instruments to represent different animal sounds/movements. Perform the story as a class 	• Shake my sillies out	 The beat sharing game Video Instrument naming activity Hippobottymus (Steve Smallman & Ada Grey)
2	3	Up and down	 Pitch contour (rising and falling) 	 Make up new lyrics and accompanying actions. Sing and play a rising and falling melody, following the shape with voices and on tuned percussion. Use appropriate hand actions to mark a changing pitch. 	Up and downHickory, dickory, dock	 Rain is falling down Video Pitch pencils activity Video The lark ascending (Vaughan Williams) Flight of the bumblebee (Rimsky Korsakov)
Spring 2	3	Five fine bumble bees	 Timbre Tempo Structure (call-and-response) Active listening 	 Improvise a vocal/physical soundscape about minibeasts. Sing in call-and-response and change voices to make a buzzing sound. Play an accompaniment using tuned and untuned percussion and recognise a change in tempo. Listen to a piece of classical music and respond through dance. 	• Five fine bumble bees	 'Overture' to <i>The wasps</i> (Vaughan Williams) Bumblebee warm up video Bees collecting pollen video <i>Mad about minibeasts</i> (Giles Andreas) Animal sounds in other languages

Reception Term 3



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Summer 1	3	Down there under the sea	TimbreStructureActive listeningTune moving in stepSoundscape	 Develop a song by composing new words and adding movements and props. Sing a song using a call-and-response structure. Play a call-and-response phrase comprising a short stepping tune (C-D-E) and sea effects on percussion instruments. Listen to a range of sea-related pieces of music and respond with movement. 	• Down there under the sea	 Seaside sounds with instruments Video. Miroirs III - Une barque sur l'ocean (Ravel) Video of sea life swimming in an aquarium
	3	It's oh so quiet!	DynamicsTimbreMusical storytelling	 Improvise music with different instruments, following a conductor and compose music based on characters and stories developed through listening to Beethoven's 5th symphony. Play different instruments with control. Develop listening skills, identifying dynamics (forte, piano, crescendo, and diminuendo) across a range of different musical styles. 	 Pass the secret round Bang my drum 	 It's oh so quiet (Bjork) Symphony No. 5, 1st movement (Beethoven)
Summer 2	3	Slap clap clap	Music in 3-timeBeat	 Compose a three-beat body percussion pattern and perform it to a steady beat. Sing a melody in waltz time and perform the actions. Play a range of percussion instruments (replacing the action words with playing words). Find the beat in a partner clapping game. 	• Slap clap clap	 'Once upon a dream' from Sleeping Beauty Mull of Kintyre (Paul McCartney & Wings)
Ins	3	Bow, bow, bow Belinda	BeatActive listeningAccompaniment	 Invent and perform actions for new verses. Sing a song while performing a sequence of dance steps. Play a two-note accompaniment, marking the pulse on tuned or untuned percussion. Listen to examples of other folk songs from North America. 	• Bow, bow, bow Belinda	• Bow, bow, bow Belinda Teaching video

Year 1 Term 1



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	6	Menu song	 Active listening (movement) Beat Progression snapshot 1 	 Create a dramatic group performance using kitchenthemed props. Sing a cumulative song from memory, remembering the order of the verses. Play classroom instruments on the beat. Copy a leader in a call-and-response song, show the shape of the pitch moving with actions and sing using mire-do. Listen and move in time to the song. 	Menu songRain is falling down	 'Be our guest' from Beauty and the Beast 'Food glorious food' from Oliver!
2	3	Colonel Hathi's march	BeatMarchTimbreMusic from a film	 Compose music to march to using percussion. Respond to musical characteristics through movement. Describe the features of a march using music vocabulary. 	 The grand old Duke of York 	 Tuba, glockenspiel, piccolo clip Royal Marines Massed bands 'Colonel Hathi's March'
Autumn	3	Magical musical aquarium	 Timbre Pitch Structure Graphic symbols Classical music 	 Experiment with sounds (timbre) to create aquarium-inspired music and draw the sounds using graphic symbols. Sing a unison song rhythmically and in tune. Play percussion instruments expressively representing the character of their composition. Listen to Aquarium, reflecting the character of the music through movement. 	 Little April shower Baby beluga Song of the fish Down there under the sea Jellyfish 	 'Aquarium' from <i>Carnival of the animals</i> by Saint- Saëns Sing Up precussion quide
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	The king is in the castle	StructureTimbrePitchDynamicsRhyme	 Explore using timbre, dynamics and pitch to tell a story. Change voice to suit different characters while performing appropriate actions. Play contrasting accompaniments to reinforce the verse structure. Identify a simple song structure and rhyme pattern. 	• The king is in the castle	Peter and the wolf by Sergei Prokofiev

Year 1 Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Spring 1	6	Football	 Beat Ostinato Pitched/unpitched patterns Mi-ri-do Progression snapshot 2 	 Compose word patterns in groups. Improvise fournote call-and-response vocal phrases using 'so' and mi-re-do. Chant together rhythmically, marking rests accurately. Play a simple ostinato on untuned percussion. Recognise the difference between a pattern with notes (pitched) and without (unpitched). 	• Football	 Don't clap this one back Cuckoo interval
2	3	'Dawn' from Sea Inter- Iudes	 Beat Active listening (singing game,musical signals, movement) 20th century classical music 	 Sing a simple singing game. Listen actively by responding to musical signals and musical themes using movement. Create a musical movement picture. Move and rock to music to develop a sense of beat. 	• Sailor, sailor on the sea	• 'Dawn' from <i>Sea</i> interludes by Benjamin Britten
Spring	3	Musical conver- sations	 Question and answer Timbre Graphic score	 Compose musical sound effects and short sequences of sounds in response to a stimulus. Improvise question-and-answer conversations using percussion instruments. Create, interpret and perform simple graphic scores. Recognise how graphic symbols can represent sound. 	BogapillaPlasticine person	
Spring 2 - Optional	6	Who stole my chickens and my hens?	BeatRestsRhythm patternsHigher/lower	 Make up new lyrics and create short body percussion patterns to accompany the song. Sing familiar songs in low and high voices, recognising higher and lower. Play a partner clapping game while singing a song. Copy short rhythm patterns by ear. 	 Who stole my chickens and my hens? Aiken drum I do like to be beside the seaside If you're happy and you know it Oats and beans and barley grow 	• As I was walking down the street

Year 1 Term 3



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Summer 1	3	Dancing and drawing to Nautilus	 Active listening (musical signals, internalising beat, draw to music, movement/ actions) Electronic music 	 Perform actions to music, reinforcing a sense of beat. Respond to musical signals and musical themes using movement, matching movements to musical gestures in the piece. Develop awareness of duration and the ability to move slowly to music. Create art work, drawing freely and imaginatively in response to a piece of music. 		 Nautilus by Anna Meredith Tremble by Scottish Ballet
Sun	3	Cat and mouse	MoodTempoDynamicsRhythmDot notation	 Create rhythm patterns, sequencing them, and 'fixing' them as compositions using simple notation. Attempt to record compositions with stick and other notations. Sing and chant songs and rhymes expressively. Listen and copy rhythm patterns. Notice how a change of pitch is used to create an effect. 	 Skin and bones Three little mice What do you want to eat, little mouse? The old grey cat 	
Summer 2	6	As I was walking down the street	BeatMarchJig	 Sing a song that includes a time change from march to a jig. Play untuned percussion instruments, and use movement, to mark the beat and recognise a change in metre. Listen to a jig and move in time to the music. 	As I was walking down the street	
Summer 2 -Optional	6	Come dance with me	 Call-and-response Tuned percussion skills Rhythm and syllables Pitch Progression snap shot 3 	 Create musical phrases from new word rhythms that children invent. Sing either part of a call-and-response song. Play the response sections on tuned percussion using the correct mallet hold. Listen and copy call-and-response patterns on voices and instruments. 	• Come dance with me	• 'Under the sea' from <i>The little mermaid</i> by Anna Meredith

Year 2 Term 1



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	6	Tony Chestnut	BeatRhythmPitchEchoProgression snapshot 1	 Improvise rhythms along to a backing track using the note C or G. Play the song's melody on a tuned percussion instrument. Sing with good diction to emphasise word play. Listen to, recognise, and play echoing phrases by ear. 	• Tony Chestnut	• <i>I want you to</i> be my baby by Louis Jordan
Autumn 2	3	Carnival of the Animals	TimbreTempoDynamicsPitchClassical music	 Select instruments and compose music to reflect an animal's character. Listen with increased concentration to sounds/music and respond by: talking about them using music vocabulary, or physically with movement and dance. Identify different qualities of sound (timbre) i.e. smooth, scratchy, clicking, ringing, and how they are made. Recognise and respond to changes of speed (tempo), volume (dynamics), and pitch (high/low) using music vocabulary, or movement. 		• 'Aquarium' 'Fossils' 'The swan' 'The elephant' and 'Aviary' from Carnival of the animals by Saint-Saëns
	3	Magical musical aquarium (New Unit Aug 2022)	TimbrePitchStructureGraphic symbolClassical music	 Experiment with sounds (timbre) to create aquarium inspired music and draw the sounds using graphic symbols. Sing a unison song rhythmically and in tune. Play percussion instruments expressively representing the character of their composition. Listen to Aquarium reflecting the character of the music through movement. 	 Little April Shower Baby beluga Song of the fish Down there under the sea Jellyfish 	• 'Aquarium' from <i>Carnival of the animals</i> by Saint-Saëns
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	Creepy castle	TimbreTempoDynamicsGraphic score	 Compose a sequence of sounds in response to a given stimulus. Sing small intervals accurately and confidently, and vary dynamic contrast. Play a piece following a graphic score. Listen to music in a minor key, recognising small steps in the music. 	• Creepy castle	• Toccata and Fugue in D mi- nor BWV 565 by J.S. Bach

Year 2 Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Spring 1	6	Grandma rap	 Duration (crotchet, qu avers, crotchet rest) Unison Round Progression snapshot 2 	 Compose 4-beat patterns. Chant rhythmically and perform in unison and in a round. Chant and play rhythms (using the durations of 'walk' (crotchet), 'jogging' (quavers) and 'shh' (crotchet rests) from stick notation. Learn a clapping game to Hi lo chicka lo Listen to a variety of music and show the following durations with actions 'walk' (crotchet) and 'jogging' (quavers). 	 Grandma rap Hip-Hop backing track Supercalifragilistic- expialidocious 	 BEAT section of Sing Up Music Developing Musicianship resource Grandma rap warm-up video
3 2	3	Orawa	 Beat Rhythm Structure (repitition). 20th century classical music 	 Structure short musical ideas to form a larger piece. Perform composed pieces for an audience. Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds and patterns. 		• <i>Orawa</i> by Wojciech Kilar
Spring	3	Musical conver- sations (New Unit January 2023)	Question-and- answerTimbreGraphic score	 Compose musical sound effects and short sequences of sounds in response to a stimulus. Improvise question-and-answer conversations using percussion instruments. Create, interpret and perform simple graphic scores. Recognise how graphic symbols can represent sound. 	BogapillaPlasticine Person	 'Aquarium' from <i>Carnival of the animals</i> by Saint- Saëns Sing Up precussion quide
Spring 2 - Optional	6	Mini- beasts	TimbrePitch (chord)Internalising beat and phrase	 Compose an accompaniment using tuned percussion (playing chords and creating sound effects). Sing clearly articulated words, smoothly and together in time. Match voices accurately in a singing game. Listen to the music and create a 'minibeast' inspired dance. 	MinibeastsHey, hey	 The wasps overture by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov Flight of the bumblebee by Ralph Vaughan Williams

Year 2 Term 3



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
	3	Swing-a- long with Shostak- ovich	 2- and 3-time Beat Beat groupings 20th century classical music 	 Create action patterns in 2- and 3- time. Mark the beat by tapping, clapping and swinging to the music. Listen and move, stepping a variety of rhythm patterns and indentify them in familiar songs. Move freely and creatively to music using a prop. 	 Swing-along One man went to mow One finger, one thumb Giggle song Oranges and lemons 	 Jazz suite No. 2 - 6 'Waltz II' by Dmitri Shostakovich Jazz suite No. 1 - 2 'Polka' by Dmitri Shostakovich
Summer 1	3	Cat and mouse (New Unit March 2023)	MoodTempoDynamicsRhythmDot notation	 Create rhythm patterns, sequencing them, and 'fixing' them as compositions using simple notation. Attempt to record compositions with stick and other notations. Sing and chant songs and rhymes expressively. Listen and copy rhythm patterns. Notice how a change of pitch is used to create an effect. 	 Skin and bones Three little mice What do you want to eat, little mouse? The old grey cat 	 Performance of <i>Three little mice</i> Expression, pitch and tempo video Rhythm, beat and pitch video
Summer 1 - Optional	6	The rockpool rock	2-part singingRock 'n' rollStructureTimbre	 Learn an interlocking spoken part and perform a song in two parts. Sing a rock 'n' roll-style song confidently. Play an introduction on tuned percussion. Listen actively and learn about rock 'n' roll music. 	• Rockpool rock	 Tutti frutti by Little Richard Johnny B. Goode by Chuck Berry Hound dog by Elvis Presley Rock around the clock by Bill Haley and The Comets
Summer 2	6	Tanczymy labada	 Duration (crotchet, qu avers, crotchet rest) Chords Progression snapshot 3 	 Compose rhythm patterns to accompany the song. Sing confidently in another language and play a cumulative game with spoken call-and-response sections. Play an accompaniment on tuned percussion. Listen and copy vocal and rhythm patterns accurately, in tune, and in time with a steady beat. 	 Tanczymy labada Płynie statek 	

Year 3 Term 1



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	6	l've been to Harlem	 Pitch shape Ostinato Round Pentatonic Call-and-response Progression snapshot 1 	 Compose a pentatonic ostinato. Sing a call-and-response song in groups, holding long notes confidently. Play melodic and rhythmic accompaniments to a song. Listen and identify where notes in the melody of the song go down and up. 	 I've been to Harlem Tongo Siren Born to be wild 	 Cup rhythms - Video. Peer Gynt Suite No. 1 by Edvard Grieg Progression snapshot videos
Autumn 2	3	Nao chariya de/ Mingulay boat song	 Bengali/Scottish folk songs Comparing songs from across the world Instruments Beat Tempo 3/4, 4/4 	 Begin to develop an understanding and appreciation of music from different musical traditions. Identify that the songs are from different places in the world, use different instruments, have a different beat, and are different speeds. Pupils can use some musical vocabulary to describe these things. Understand that a folk song is music that belongs to the people of a particular place. 	 Skye boat song Under the lemon tree Roll the old chariot along 	 Mingulay boat song by The Corries; by Coda. Nao chariya de by Abbasudin Ahmed; by Koushik Skye boat song by Alastair McDonald
	3	Sound symme- try	Symmetry and pattern in melodyTernary formMelodyAccompaniment	 Compose a simple song using symmetry to develop a melody, structure, and rhythmic accompaniment. Sing by improvising simple melodies and rhythms. Identify how the pitch and melody of a song has been developed using symmetry. 	 Rubber chicken Plasticine person Dr Knickerbocker ek, dho, teen! 1, 121 Twinkle, twinkle little star 	
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	Chilled- out clap rap	 Beat Rhythm Crotchet Crotchet rest Paired quavers Notes C-D-E Tempo Dynamics 	 Create clapping patterns using the durations crotchet, crotchet rest, pair of quavers. Transfer clapping patterns to tuned instruments and as a group create a layered piece of music. Rap accurately & rhythmically with dynamic contrast. Perform crotchet and quaver actions (walk and jogging) on the beat and adapt these actions when the speed of the music changes. 	 Chilled-out clap rap Blinded by your grace (Part 2) 	

Year 3 Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Spring 1	6	Latin dance	 Salsa Beat Clave rhythm Timbre Chords Rhythm pattern Progression snapshot 2 	 Compose a 4-beat rhythm pattern to play during the instrumental sections. Sing syncopated rhythms and recognise a verse, chorus structure. Play a one note part contributing to chords accompanying the verses. Listen to music from Cuba and describe features using music vocabulary. Invent a drone accompaniment for a song. Accompany themselves singing a call-and-response song with a drone. 	 Latin dance Plasticine person Tongo 	 Salsa tutorial for kids by Spotty Dotty Despacito (salsa) Learn about Cuban music in Miss Jessica's World El manisero Chan, chan Quimbara
Spring 2	3	'March' from The nutcracker	 Rondo structure Beat Higher/lower Staccato Call-and-response Ballet music from the Romantic period. 	 Develop active listening skills by responding to musical themes through movement. Understand the structure of rondo form (A-B-A-C-A). Develop a sense of beat and rhythmic pattern through movement. Experience call-and-response patterns through moving with a partner. 	 As I was walking down the street Feet feet 	 'March' from <i>The nutcracker</i> performed by New York City Ballet - Video Animated video of rondo form
dS	3	From a railway carriage	 Structure (repetition, round, pattern) Texture (layers, unison) timbre Beat Classical music 	 Improvise and explore a variety of ways in which words can be used to create music. Create word rhythm patterns and longer sequences and explore ways to communicate atmosphere and effect. Listen to pieces of music that have cleverly combined words and music and compare how different composers have approached it. 	 Boom chicka boom Shabuya Bungalow Map rap Popocatépetl 	• <i>Geographical fugue</i> - Video

Year 3 Term 3



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
	3	Just 3 notes	 Pitch (C-D-E) Rhythm patterns Structure Minimalism Dot notation 	 Invent simple patterns using rhythms and notes C-D-E. Compose music, structuring short ideas into a bigger piece. Notate, read, and follow a 'score'. Recognise and copy rhythms and pitches C-D-E. 		 Musical ricercata by György Ligeti In C by Terry Riley Drummers part IV by Steve Reich
Summer 1	3	Samba with Sérgio	 Call-and-response Samba batucada Beat Rhythm Music and community Rhythm notation 	 Perform call-and-response rhythms by ear using word rhythms and transfer rhythms to instruments. Perform vocal percussion as part of a group. Move in time with the beat of music. Talk about what has been learnt about Brazil and Carnival i.e. Samba batucada instruments and playing in call-and-response, samba schools, in Brazil music helps communities thrive, that word rhythms are an important way to learn rhythm patterns, that you can freely express yourself at Carnival. 	• Rubber chicken	 Rubber chicken Fanfarra (Cabua-le-le) by Sérgio Mendes Magalenha by Sergio Mendes Estação Primeira de Mangueira – Samba school. Fanfare for the common man by Aaron Copland, performed by the São Paulo Symphony Orchestra.
Summer 2	6	Fly with the stars	 Rhythm Crotchet, quavers, semi- quavers Pitch (C-D-E/ do-re-mi) Dot notation Progression snapshot 3 	 Improvise ('doodle') on-the-spot phrases using A minor and C major triads. Compose rising and falling question-and-answer phrases using mi-re-do (m-r-d). Sing the syncopated melody confidently and with a sense of style. Listen and copy back stepwise phrases using mi-re-do (m-r-d) and correctly recognise phrases from dot notation, showing different arrangements of m-r-d. Create rhythmic accompaniments based around arpeggios and crotchet, quaver durations. 	 Fly with the stars Rain is falling down 	 Feeling the shape of a melody using a body ladder (m-r-d) Inner-hearing using a body ladder (m-r-d) Pitch copy back game m-r-d

Year 4 Term 1



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	6	This little light of mine	 Pentatonic scale Gospel music Off-beat Rhythm Call-and-response Progression snapshot 1 	 Improvise using the voice on the notes of the pentatonic scale. Sing in a gospel style with expression and dynamics. Play a bass part and rhythm ostinato along with the song. Listen and move in time to songs in a Gospel style. Sing part 1 of a partner song rhythmically. 	 This little light of mine Siren Joyful, joyful I wanna sing scat 	 This little light of mine by Sister Rosetta Tharpe and Soweto Gospel Choir The power of the pentatonic by Bobby McFerrin Progression snapshot videos
n 2	3	The Pink Panther theme	 Timbre Tempo Rhythm Dynamics Atmosphere Music from a film 	 Create atmospheric music for a scene with a given set of instruments. Recognise elements of the music that establishes the mood and character e.g. the rhythm. Talk about the effect of particular instrument sounds (timbre). 	Boom chicka boomHot potato!	 The Pink Panther theme How cartoon sound effects are made
Autumn	3	Compo- sing with colour	 Creating music insoired by colour and art Timbre Dynamics 	 Create short sounds inspired by colours and shapes Structure their ideas into a composition Create and read graphic scores Understand timbre and texture 		 Ecstatic orange A colour symphony - Purple Rhapsody in blue Green plastic, pink oil and water
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	My fantasy football team	BeatRhythmRondoRhythm notation	 Compose and perform a whole-class 'rondo' with pupil composed melodic patterns. Identify, play from, and compose with rhythm patterns comprising crotchets, quavers, crotchet rests and minims. Sing a stepping melody with clear articulation and diction. Move to music marking the pulse with action durations: walk (crotchets), jogging (quavers) and stride (minims). 	• My fantasy foot- ball team	 Stepping durations 2 Main theme' from Superman 'Colonel Hathi's march' from The jungle book Flower by Moby

Year 4 Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Spring 1	6	The doot doot song	 Chords Structure Ensemble playing and singing Acoustic guitar music Progression snapshot 2 	 Improvise ('doodle') with voices and instruments over a chord pattern. Sing swung rhythms lightly and accurately. Learn a part on an instrument and play as part of a whole-class performance. Sing part 2 pf a partner song rhythmically. Adopt a rhythmic accompaniment while singing. Listen and identify similarities and differences between acoustic guitar styles. 	 The doot doot song Warm-up and stomp canon Bogapilla 	 Somewhere over the rainbow by Harold Arnold and Yip Harburg Where did you sleep last night? by Lead Belly Jolene by Dolly Parton Blowin' in the wind by Bob Dylan Gone by Jack Johnson
Spring 2	3	Fanfare for the common man	FanfareTimbreDynamicsTextureSilence	 Explore how timbre, dynamics and texture can be used for impact in a fanfare. Compose a fanfare using a small set of notes, short, repeated rhythms. Recognise and talk about the musical characteristics of a fanfare using music vocabulary. 	• Nanuma	 Extract from Fanfare for the common man by Aaron Copland Introduction to the timpani - Video Introduction to percussion - Video Extract 'Theme' from Superman by John Williams
S	3	From a railway carriage (New Unit January 2023)	 Structure (repetition, round, pattern) Texture (layers, unison) Timbre Beat 	 Improvise and explore a variety of ways in which words can be used to create music. Create word rhythm patterns and longer sequences and explore ways to communicate atmosphere and effect. Listen to pieces of music that have cleverly combined words and music and compare how different composers have approached it. 	 Boom chicka boom Shabuya Bungalow Map rap Popocatépetl 	• <i>Geographical fugue</i> - Video.

Year 4 Term 3



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Summer 1	3	Global pentatonics	 Pentatonic scale Different musical traditions and cultures Graphic/dot notation 	 Improvise using a pentatonic scale. Create accompaniment patterns to a pentatonic song. Use graphic and staff notation to represent musical ideas. Compare and understand that the pentatonic scale features in lots of musical traditions and cultures. 	SirenCanoe songCowboy song	 Everywhere we go, Skye boat song, Om Namah Shivaya, Busy weaving, Desert blues Meet the band Bobby McFerrin demonstrates the power of pentatonic Howard Goodall on the pentatonic scale C pentatonic scale backing track
	3	Just 3 notes	 Pitch (C-D-E) rhythm patterns structure dot notation 	 Invent simple patterns using rhythms and notes C-D-E, structuring short ideas into a bigger piece. Notate, read, and follow a 'score'. Compose music, structuring short ideas into a bigger piece. Notate, read, and follow a 'score'. Recognise and copy rhythms and pitches C-D-E. 		 <i>Musical ricercata</i> by György Ligeti <i>In C</i> by Terry Riley <i>Drummers part IV</i> by Steve Reich
Summer 2	6	Favourite song	 Chords Structure Ensemble singing and playing Folk-rock styles Progression snapshot 3 	 Sing with expression and a sense of the style of the song. Play a part on an instrument as part of a whole-class performance. Identity similarities and differences between folk and folk-rock styles. Sing one of the parts in a partner song, rhythmically and from memory. 	 Favourite song Wiggle jiggle Plasticine person 1, 121 	 I will wait by Mumford and Sons The times they are a-changin performed by Bob Dylan and The Byrds Dylan goes electric - Video Behind the scenes - Dylan with Butterfield Blues Band Wiggle jiggle - Teaching video Plastcine person - Teaching video

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Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Autumn 1	6	What shall we do with the drunken sailor?	 Sea shanties Beat Rhythm Chords Dot notation Progression snapshot 1 	 Compose body percussion patterns to accompany a sea shanty. Write these out using rhythm grids. Sing a sea shanty with accurate pitch and a strong beat. Play bass notes/chords to accompany singing. Talk about the purpose of sea shanties and describe some of the features using music vocabulary. 	 What shall we do with the drunken sailor? Hey, ho! Nobody home 	 BBC 4 Sea Shanties documentary Drunken sailor - TikTok Mashup 2021 What shall we do with the drunken sailor? - Teaching video Rubber chicken Siren Progression snapshot videos
n 2	3	Why we sing	 Gospel music Structure Texture Vocal decoration 	 Recognise by ear, individual instruments and voices. Listen to a selection of gospel music, identifying key elements that give the music its unique sound and talk about it using music vocabulary. 	Let's start to singTongue twisters	 Wade in the water by Sweet Honey in the Rock, Climbing higher Mountains by Aretha Franklin, Why we sing by Kirk Franklin and The Family Why we sing lyric video. Wade in the water by The Spirituals
Autumn	3	Introduction to songwriting	 Structure (Verse/ chorus) Hook Lyric writing Melody 	 'Doodle' with sound, playing around with pitch and rhythm to create a strong hook. Create fragments of songs that could be developed. Identify the structure of songs and analyse songs to appreciate the role of metaphor. Develop understanding of song writing techniques. 	 Great day Firework Someone you loved Songwriting backing tracks 	 Throw, catch Song pieces. Say my name Le freak Smalltown boy
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	Keep the home fires burning	 Music from WWI Fanfare Triad Rhythm Dot notation 	 Compose a WWI inspired fanfare (using C-E-G) Sing with expression, appreciating the song's history and purpose, perform for an audience. Play the Home fires fanfare from the score. Recognise durations. Develop knowledge and understanding of the history, and social context of music associated with the first World War. 	 1, 121 Keep the home fires burning Siren 	 The Pink Panther theme by Henry Mancini, The typewriter by Leroy Anderson, March by Tchaikovsky The last post Keep the home fires burning by John McCormack Roger Norrington talking about Pastoral Symphony by Williams

Year 5 Term 2



Term	No. of lessons	Title	Musical focus	Musical learning	Song Bank	Watch and listen
Spring 1	6	Madina tun nabi	 Nasheed (islamic song) Drone Melody Harmony Chords Progression snapshot 2 	 Use major chords to create a drone accompaniment and improvise freely over a drone. Sing a song in two parts with expression and an understanding of its origins. Listen and copy back simple rhythmic and melodic patterns. 	• Madina tun nabi	 <i>Madina tun nabi</i> - Video. Echo exercise audio tracks
1g 2	3	Building a groove	BeatRhythmBasslinesRiffs	 Compose groove based pieces understanding how drum grooves and bass lines fit together to create memorable and catchy riffs. Perform in a vocal percussion style. Play drum patterns, basslines and riffs on a variety of instruments as part of a group. Listen and copy drum patterns and riffs. 	• Do your dooty	 Watermelon man by Herbie Hancock Potter's House Mass Choir, Tour of the drum kit, Drum groove audio tracks. Shake it off'by Taylor Swift, Back to life by Soul II Soul, Cissy strut by The Meters, Thank you by Sly and The Family Stone, Let's dance by David Bowie
Spring	3	Época	TextureArticulationRhythmTango	 Work creatively in movement in small groups, learning to share and develop ideas. Develop listening skills and an understanding of how different instrumental parts interact (texture) by responding to each part through movement. Demonstrate an understanding of the history of Argentine Tango. 		 Época by Gotan Project Introduction to the sounds of the accordion, cello, drum kit - Video Tango dancing - Video
Spring 2 - Optional	6	Three little birds	ReggaeRiffsChordsBasslineHarmony	 Improvise rhythms using the chords D and G to create a bassline and chord accompaniment. Sing a chorus in three parts following the score. Play the melodic riff or melody of the chorus by ear. Develop a knowledge and understanding of the origins, history, and social context of Reggae music. 	Three little birds1, 121	 Three little birds, Buffalo soldier and Redemption song by Bob Marley and The Wailers Three little birds lyric video by Makaton One step beyond by Prince Busters All Stars You've made me so very happy by Alton Ellis

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Summer 1	3	Balinese gamelan	 Gamelan (Bali) Interlocking rhythm Vocal chant Musical cycles 	 Compose a kecak piece as part of a group. Chant a part within a kecak performance. Develop knowledge and understanding of the Balinese gamelan forms of beleganjur and kecak. Listen and match vocal and instrumental parts to grid and dot notation. 		 Gamelan beleganjur Kecak chant Interlocking cymbal patterns Rice-pounding music Cartoon of the Tale of Rama and Sita
1	3 of the pagodo	Empress of the pagodas	 Ternary form (ABA) Pentatonic scale Tempo Dynamics 20th century orchestral music 	 Create a piece in ternary form using a pentatonic scale, with accompaniment, contrasting dynamics and tempo. Notate ideas to form a simple score to play from. Listen and respond to music using drawings and words. Recognise that music can describe feelings and tell a story. 		Empress of the pagodas (Laideronette) by Maurice Ravel
Summer 1	6	Baloo baleerie	 Lullaby 3-time Pentatonic scale Question-and- answer Accompaniment Progression snapshot 3 	 Compose a melody in 3/4 time, use notes from a pentatonic scale and question-and-answer phrasing. Sing a lullaby with understanding of the song's purpose. Play an accompaniment using percussion. Listen to lullabies from around the world. Understand the differences between 3/4 and 4/4 time signatures. 	• Baloo baleerie (2-part version in E & unison version in F)	 Dream Angus Scottish Iullaby. The universal language of Iullabies - BBC video The Lullaby Project by Opera North Trio Da Kali a Iullaby from Mali, Felton Lonnin from England, Galilean Iullaby from Palestine, Cantec de leagan by from Romanian Lullabies from around the world - Video
Summer 2 - Optional	6	Kis nay banaayaa	 A song from India/ Pakistan Soundscape Melody/ harmony Accompaniment 	 Create a soundscape for some of the creatures in the world. Sing unaccompanied in two or three parts. Play a simple accompaniment on tuned instruments. Listen and explore a range of timbres to use in the creation of a soundscape. 	Kis nay banaayaa1, 121	 Song teaching video with Itoya and Chanté

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Autumn 1	6	Hey, Mr Miller	 Swing music Syncopation Big band Scat singing Historical context WWII Progression snapshot 1 	 Compose a syncopated melody using the notes of the C major scale. Sing a syncopated melody accurately. Sing and play their own arrangement of the song together in time. Listen to historical recordings of big band swing and describe features of the music using music vocabulary. 	Hey, Mr MillerScales and arpeggios	 In the mood by Glenn Miller Basic swing groove for drums by Happydrums Hooked on swing by Larry Elgart + Manhatten Swing Orchestra, It don't mean a thing (if it ain't got that swing) performed by Duke Ellington and Ella Fitzgerald
umn 2	3	Shadows	 Artist and their influences Musical comparisons Shadows Lindsay Sterling 	 Explore the influences on an artist. Recognise and identify features of timbre/instrumentation and expression in an extract of recorded music. Use musical knowledge and vocabulary to discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music. 		 Video clip of <i>Lindsey + America's Got Talent</i>. <i>Shadows</i> by Lindsey Stirling <i>Fire on the mountain</i> by Hilary Klug, David Guetta x Aviici greatest hits, <i>Boulevard of broken dreams</i> by Green Day <i>Behind the scenes</i> - Lindsey Stirling
Autumn	3	Compos- ing for protest	 Composing with non-musical stimulus Lyrics Melody Ostinato Coda 	 Create their own song lyrics. Fit their lyrics to a pulse, creating a chant. Write a melody and sing it. Structure their ideas into a complete song. 	 Hey, my name is Joe 	 Songs of sunrise - No. 3 March of the women Hey, my name is Joe - Teaching video
Autumn 2 - Optional	6	Touch the sky	 Scottish music 3-time Folk instruments Pentatonic scale Touch the sky 	 Improvise using the pentatonic scale. Sing accurately in two parts, with dynamic contrast and expression. Play the melody, bass note, or chord for one verse of <i>Skye boat song</i>. Listen to traditional Scottish music identifying influences on <i>Touch the sky</i>. 	Touch the skyDaisy BellSkye boat song	 Brave - Official Trailer. Video of Alexander Levack Torsa by Lau, Scotland the Brave by pipers at the Canmore Highland Games, Traditional scottish dancing by Hot Scotch Celidh Band, Skye boat song Performed by Ella Roberts

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Spring 1	6	Dona nobis pacem	3-part round/ polyphonic texture), 3/4 time, church music in Latin, progression snapshot 2.	 Compose an 8-bar piece in 3-time. Sing a round in a legato style. Listen to a piece of music identifying changes in texture. Listen to music from a mass and talk about features of the music. 	 Dona nobis pacem Polly-phonic! Siren 	 Beginner singing guide: how to sing vowels Dona nobis pacem by Hal Hopson Siren warm-up with Lin Marsh Swooping pitch warm-up with Greg Beardsall.
ng 2		 70'S Soul music Compare cover versions. 	 Recognise and identify key musical features such as rhythm, tempo, timbre, structure, and instruments. Use musical vocabulary and knowledge to discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music. 	 Little April shower Baby Beluga Song of the fish Down there under the sea Jellyfish 	 Video of the original track. Official lyric video. Everything- The Real Thing Story BBC iPlayer documentary. Various cover versions 	
Spring	3	Building a groove (New Unit January 2023)	BeatRhythm,BasslinesRiffs.	 Compose groove based pieces understanding how drum grooves and bass lines fit together. Perform in a vocal percussion style. Play drum patterns, basslines and riffs as part of a group. Listen and copy drum patterns and riffs. 	• Do your dooty	 Watermelon man by Herbie Hancock Potter's House Mass Choir, Tour of the drum kit., Drum groove audio tracks Shake it off by Taylor Swift, Back to life by Soul II Soul, Cissy strut by The Meters, Thank you by Sly and The Family Stone, Let's dance by David Bowie
Spring 2 - Optional	6	Ain't gonna let nobody	 Civil rights movement Spiritual, gospel, RnB, choral Vocal improvisation Chords C minor and G7 	 Improvise over chords C minor and G7. Sing in three parts with good ensemble and accurate pitching. Play bass notes and chords to accompany improvised melodies. Develop knowledge and understanding of the origins, history, and social context of the song. 	 Ain't gonna let nobody Rubber chicken 	 Ain't gonna let nobody - Improvising on C minor Rubber chicken - Warm-up video Beatboxing warm-up Teaching video featuring Imani Uzuri Versions of Ain't gonna let nobody by Blind Willie McTell, The Freedom Singers, Albetina Walker and The Cleveland Orchestra and chorus

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Summer 1	3	Empress of the pagodas (New Unit February 2023)	 Structure (Ternary form/ABA) Pentatonic scale Tempo Dynamics 20th century orchestral music 	 Create a piece in ternary form using a pentatonic scale, and containing an accompaniment, contrasting dynamics and tempo. Notate ideas to form a simple score to play from. Listen and respond to music using drawings and words. Recognise that music can describe feelings and tell a story. 		• Empress of the pagodas (Laideronnette) by Maurice Ravel
Sun	3	Small town boy				
Summer 2	6	Ame sau vala tara bal	 Indian music Raag Bhairavi Chaal rhythm Indian musical instruments Indian musical styles: Bhangra, Bollywood, Indian Classical Progression snapshot 3 	 Create a rhythmic piece for drums and percussion instruments. Sing a melody with attention to phrasing. Develop knowledge and understanding of a variety of musical styles from India and talk about them using music vocabulary. Show the beat by dancing to bhangra music. 	 Ame sau vala tara bal 	 Raag Bhairavi, Musical instruments of India, Team folk orchestra winner Tere Mohalle from Besharam Easy bhangra dance, Candle light by G. Sidhu - Video
Summer 2 - Optional	6	Nobody knows (The Lumineers)	 Songwriting Chords Writing lyrics on theme of 'leavers' 	 Compose a short song on the theme of leavers. Sing with expression and accuracy of rhythm and pitch. Play chords to accompany the song. Recognise the instruments used in the song and identify the way the texture develops. 	Nobody knows (The Lumineers)Bogapilla	 Video performance of the song