



National Curriculum Subject Content

EYFS

ESSENTIAL OBJECTIVES / ESSENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses.
- Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.
- Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.

KEY STAGE 1 ESSENTIAL OBJECTIVES ESSENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES To perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great To use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and composers and musicians. speaking chants and rhymes. To learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on To play tuned and untuned instruments musically. their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, To listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next and recorded music. level of musical excellence. To understand and explore how music is created, produced and To experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the intercommunicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, related dimensions of music. duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

BREADTH OF STUDY	EYFS	Y1	Y2
Listen and appraise	Can I enjoy singing, music and toys that make sounds Can I enjoy songs and rhymes, tuning in and paying attention Can I copy finger movements and other gestures	Can I find the pulse and enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. Can I learn five songs and know what they are about.	Can I find the pulse and enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. Can I learn five songs and know that they can tell a story or describe an idea.





		Can I recognise the sound and name the	Can I recognise that some songs have a chorus
	Can I show attention to sounds and music	different instruments Can I hear.	or a response/answer part
	Can I respond emotionally and physically to music when it changes	Can I identify different musical styles of music heard and sometimes recognise where they are from.	Can I identify different musical styles of music they hear and recognise where they are from
	Can I move and dance to music. (Birth – Three year olds)	Can I recognise difference between male and female voice.	Can I recognise the sound and name the different instruments Can I hear.
	Can I use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm.		Can I recognise difference between male and female voice.
	Can I listen with increased attention to sounds		
	Can I respond to what I have heard, expressing my thoughts and feelings. (3 – 4 year olds)		
	Can I listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing my feelings and responses. (Reception)		
	Can I join in with songs and rhymes, copying sounds, rhythms, tunes and tempo	Can I use my voice expressively by singings songs and speaking chants and rhymes together in a group ensemble	Can I use my voice expressively by singings songs and speaking chants and rhymes together in a group ensemble
	Can I say some of the words in songs and rhymes	Can I sing notes of different pitches (high and low)	Can I sing notes of different pitches (high and low).
Sing	Can I sing songs and say rhymes independently, for example, singing whilst playing.	Can I make different types of sounds with my voice, such as rap or say words in rhythm.	Can I make different types of sounds with my voice, such as rap or say words in rhythm.
	Can I anticipate phrases and actions in rhymes and songs, like 'Peepo'	Can I start and stop singing when following a leader.	Can I start and stop singing when following a leader.
	Can I explore my voice and enjoy making sounds.		





	Can I join in with songs and rhymes, making some sounds		
	Can I enjoy and take part in action songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. (Birth – Three year olds)		
	Can I sing a large repertoire of songs		
	Can I remember and sing entire songs.		
	Can I sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match').		
	Can I sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs		
	Can I sing many rhymes (3 – 4 year olds)		
	Can I sing in a group or on my own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. (Reception)		
	Can I join in with songs and rhymes, copying sounds, rhythms, tunes and tempo	Can I treat instruments carefully and with respect	Can I treat instruments carefully and with respect
	Can I sing songs and say rhymes independently, for example, singing whilst playing.	Can I name the instruments playing including glockenspiel	Can I name the untuned percussion instruments I am playing in class
Play instruments	Can I make rhythmical and repetitive sounds	Can I name the notes in my instrumental part I am playing	Can I name the tuned instruments I am playing, including recorder
	Can I explore a range of sound makers and instruments and play them in different ways. (Birth – Three year olds)	Can I learn an instrumental part that matches my musical challenge, using one of the	Can I name the notes in the instrumental part I am playing
	Can I create my own songs, or improvise a song around one I know.	differentiated parts (a one-note part, a simple part, medium part).	Can I play a tuned instrumental part that matches my musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (a one-note part, a simple part, medium part).





	Can I play instruments with increasing control to express my feelings and ideas (3 – 4 year olds).	Can I play a tuned instrumental part with the song I perform	Can I play in time to a steady pulse
	Can I explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. (Reception)	Can I listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader	Can I listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.
	Can I make rhythmical and repetitive sounds (Birth – Three year olds)	Can I explain that improvisation is about making up my own tunes on the spot	Can I explain that improvisation is about making up your own tunes on the spot
	Can I respond to what I have heard, expressing my thoughts and feelings.	Can I listen and clap back, then listen and clap my own answer (rhythms of words).	Can I listen and clap back, then listen and clap my own answer (rhythms of words).
Improvise	Can I create my own songs, or improvise a song around one I know. (3 – 4 year olds)	Can I use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play my own answer using one or two notes.	Can I use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play my own answer using one or two notes.
	Can I explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. (Reception)	Can I take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes	Can I take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes
	Can I make rhythmical and repetitive sounds (Birth – Three year olds)	Can I explain that composing is like writing a story with music	Can I explain that composing is like writing a story with music
	Can I respond to what I have heard, expressing my thoughts and feelings.	Can I create a simple melody using one, two or three notes	Can I create three simple melodies using one, three or five different notes
Compose	Can I create my own songs, or improvise a song around one I know. (3 – 4 year olds)	Can I explore how the notes can be written down and changed if necessary	Can I explore how the notes can be written down and changed if necessary
	Can I explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. (Reception)		
Perform and share	Can I enjoy and take part in action songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. (Birth – Three year olds)	Can I explain that a performance is sharing music with other people, called an audience	Can I explain that a performance is sharing music with other people, called an audience
	Can I respond to what I have heard, expressing my thoughts and feelings.	Can I perform a song, I have chosen and learnt to my class and year group.	Can I perform a song, I have chosen and learnt to the whole school and a wider audience.
		Can I add my ideas to the performance	Can I add my ideas to the performance





Can I play instruments with increasing control to express my feelings and ideas (3 – 4 year olds)	Can I record the performance and say how I feel about it.	Can I record the performance and say how I feel about it.
Can I explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. (Reception)		

KEY END-POINT ASSESSMENT			
	EYFS	Y1	Y2
Listen and appraise	Can I listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing my feelings and responses?	Can I start to identify different musical styles and the instruments used?	Can I use some musical language to describe the music, how it makes me feel commenting on the instruments used and the style?
Sing	Can I sing in a group or on my own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody?	Can I sing effectively in a group, singing the same tune as the others?	Can I sing in a group, singing the same tune as the others, with a good sense of pulse and in a good singing position?
Play instruments	Can I explore and engage in music making?	Can I play an instrument correctly with one, two or three notes with or without notation? (glocks)	Can I play an instrument correctly with one to five notes using a best with or without notation?
Improvise	Can I explore and engage in music making?	Can I create my own tune playing an instrument using two notes?	Can I create my own tune playing an instrument using two, or three notes including an element of dynamics and pitch?
Compose	Can I explore and engage in music making.	Can I compose and record a melody using two notes (with a partner)?	Can I compose and record my own melody using two notes (as a group) incorporating dynamics and pitch?
Perform and share	Can I perform solo or in groups?	Can I perform to an audience (their class)?	Can I perform to a wider audience (assembly).