



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School Music Curriculum Overview

Key Concepts	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Active listening and Describing music</p> <p>These concepts involves listening to music and responding by doing something e.g. clapping back rhythms and appreciating the features and effectiveness of musical elements.</p>	<p>To listen and respond by clapping</p>	<p>Improvise simple rhythms based on a given stimuli (e.g rhythm grids)</p> <p>Use musical vocabulary such as: pulse rhythm, pitch.</p> <p>Recognise changes in pulse, rhythm, dynamics and pitch.</p> <p>To recognise the sound and name some of the instruments in a piece of music.</p> <p>To begin to describe how a piece of music makes them feel and begin to describe why.</p> <p>To begin to think about whether or not they like/dislike a piece of music and begin to describe why.</p> <p>To keep a steady pulse and be able to pick out two different tempos in music.</p>	<p>Repeat back longer basic rhythms from memory (at least 2 bars) and add imitations of the rhythms as improvisation.</p> <p>Use musical vocabulary such as: pulse, tempo, rhythm, pitch.</p> <p>Recognise changes in pulse, rhythm, timbre, dynamics and pitch.</p> <p>To recognise the sound and name some of the instruments in a piece of music.</p> <p>Identify where elements change in a piece of music e.g tempo, dynamics.</p> <p>To describe how a piece of music makes them feel and begin to describe why.</p> <p>To think about whether or not they like/dislike a piece of music and describe why.</p>	<p>Create basic 3 note tunes and simple rhythms using crotchet, quavers minims and their rests.</p> <p>Use the terms: duration, timbre, pitch, beat, tempo, texture and use of silence to describe music.</p> <p>To confidently identify and move to the pulse.</p> <p>To think about what the words of a song mean.</p> <p>To take it in turn to discuss how the song makes them feel.</p> <p>Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music.</p> <p>Identify and describe musical features in pieces from different traditions.</p>	<p>Improvise and compose tunes using 5 notes based on basic note values; create more developed rhythmic patterns (around 4 bars)</p> <p>To confidently identify and move to the pulse.</p> <p>To talk about the musical dimensions working together in a given songs e.g if the song gets louder in the chorus (dynamics).</p> <p>Talk about the music and how it makes them feel.</p> <p>Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about a given piece of music.</p> <p>When talking try to use musical vocabulary.</p>	<p>Create four bar melodies in different tempos and time signatures that can be performed and includes some off-beat rhythms.</p> <p>To identify and move to the pulse with ease.</p> <p>To think about the message of songs and how it makes them feel.</p> <p>To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences.</p> <p>Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about a piece of music.</p> <p>Talk about musical dimensions working together in a given song.</p>	<p>Improvise and compose extended pieces of music using up to 8 notes and a variety of rhythms, tempos and time signatures.</p> <p>To identify and move to the pulse with ease.</p> <p>To think about the message of songs and how it makes them feel.</p> <p>To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences.</p> <p>To talk about the musical dimensions working together in songs.</p> <p>Talk about the music and how it makes you feel, using musical language to describe the music.</p>



<p>Composing and Improvising</p> <p>The concept of composition involves the process of coming up with your own musical ideas that may or may not be written down, whilst Improvisation is the process of making music up on the spot.</p>		<p>Play basic rhythms on tuned and untuned percussion instruments and using body percussion.</p> <p>Compose music with one note (C) up to 5 notes (C,D,E,F,G) based on a given stimuli.</p> <p>Clap rhythms.</p> <p>Create a mixture of different sounds (long and short, loud and quiet, high and low).</p> <p>Choose sounds to create an effect.</p> <p>Sequence sounds to create an overall effect.</p> <p>Create short, musical patterns.</p> <p>Create a sequence of long and short sounds.</p> <p>Learn how the notes of a composition can be written down and changed if necessary.</p>	<p>Play longer phrases on tuned and untuned instruments and body percussion.</p> <p>Compose music with up to 7 notes (C,D,E,F,G,A Bb) based on a given stimuli.</p> <p>Create a mixture of different sounds (long and short, loud and quiet, high and low).</p> <p>Choose sounds to create an effect.</p> <p>Sequence sounds to create an overall effect.</p> <p>Create longer, musical patterns drawing on knowledge of musical elements e.g. dynamics, tempo.</p> <p>Create sequences of long and short sounds.</p>	<p>Use tuned percussion/melodic instruments as well as the voice to perform 3+ note melodies and simple rhythms.</p> <p>Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or five different notes.</p> <p>Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of a given song/stimuli.</p> <p>Talk about how the music was created.</p> <p>Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo.</p> <p>Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).</p>	<p>Perform 5+ note melodies (or 4+ chords) and more complex rhythms on tuned instruments.</p> <p>Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of a given song.</p> <p>Talk about how their music (individual or group) was created.</p> <p>Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo.</p> <p>Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).</p>	<p>Create and perform 8 note melodies or developed chord progressions (e.g. 2+ chords per bar) and more complex rhythms.</p> <p>Explain the keynote or home note (<i>the note which we normally expect a song to finish on</i>) and the structure of the melody.</p> <p>Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song.</p> <p>Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).</p>	<p>Create and perform confidently and accurately individually and as part of a group.</p> <p>Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of a given song.</p> <p>Explain the keynote or home note (<i>the note which we normally expect a song to finish on</i>) and the structure of the melody.</p> <p>Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song.</p> <p>Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).</p>
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<p>Performing</p> <p>This concept involves understanding that music is created to be performed (both playing and/or singing) to other people.</p>	<p>Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music</p>	<p>Sing simple folk tunes in unison both with and without accompaniment or backing tracks.</p> <p>To play untuned / tuned instruments. Play the glockenspiel with focus on the notes C,D,E,F,G</p> <p>Recognise how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together.</p> <p>Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.</p> <p>Learn to play a tuned/untuned instrumental part alongside a given backing track.</p> <p>Treat instruments carefully and with respect.</p> <p>Use symbols to represent a composition and use them to help with a performance.</p>	<p>Sing simple songs and folk songs in rounds.</p> <p>Perform from rhythmic notation including crotchets, quavers and minims.</p> <p>Play longer rhythms on untuned percussion and body percussion.</p> <p>Treat instruments carefully and with respect.</p> <p>Play the part in time with the steady pulse.</p> <p>Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.</p> <p>Record a performance and say how they feel about it.</p>	<p>Sing songs and folk rounds whilst accompanied by ostinatos from the group.</p> <p>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <p>To perform more extended rhythms that use crotchets, quavers, minims and rests.</p> <p>To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them.</p> <p>To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit.</p> <p>To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why.</p>	<p>Sing pieces in two parts that have melodies and counter melodies.</p> <p>To rehearse and choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <p>Present a musical performance designed to capture the audience.</p> <p>To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them.</p> <p>To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit.</p> <p>To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why.</p> <p>To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.</p> <p>To experience leading the playing.</p>	<p>Sing pieces, including those from a classical tradition, with a range of at least 8 notes and pieces with at least 2 different parts.</p> <p>To rehearse and choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <p>To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them.</p> <p>To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. (e.g. hall, classroom, gazebo etc)</p> <p>To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance.</p> <p>To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?” (trying to use musical vocabulary)</p>	<p>Sing musically responding to the performance directions of the piece e.g. phrasing; sing more extended harmony parts.</p> <p>To rehearse then choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <p>To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them.</p> <p>To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. (e.g. hall, classroom, gazebo etc)</p> <p>To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance.</p> <p>To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?” (using musical vocabulary)</p>
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<p>Singing</p> <p>This concept involves the act of producing musical sounds with the voice.</p>	<p>Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs</p>	<p>Sing back short melodies that use 1-2 different pitches and develop the concept of pattern work in music using rhythm grids.</p> <p>Learning by heart then singing songs from a selection of styles: <i>old style hip hop, reggae, rap, blues, Latin, folk, Latin bossa nova and pop.</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning up to two traditional carols as well as Christmas play songs.</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>Learn about voices, singing notes of different pitches (high and low).</p> <p>Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap or say words in rhythm.</p> <p>Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader.</p> <p>Imitate changes in pitch.</p>	<p>Sing back short melodies that use around 2-3 notes; Perform from rhythmic notation including crotchets and minims.</p> <p>Learning by heart then singing songs from a selection of styles: <i>afropop, South African, rock, reggae, pop and classical.</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning up to two traditional carols as well as Christmas play songs.</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>Learn about voices singing notes of different pitches (high and low)</p> <p>Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices e.g rap</p> <p>Learn to find a comfortable singing position.</p> <p>Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader.</p>	<p>Perform from and compose using 3 pitched notes and simple rhythms (crotchets, quavers, minims and rests)</p> <p>Sing from memory songs from a selection of styles with accurate pitch: <i>R&B reggae, disco, classical, music from around the world and a pop song that tells a story.</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning a variety of traditional and modern carols</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>Pronounce words clearly and show control of voice.</p> <p>To demonstrate a good singing posture.</p> <p>To follow a leader when singing.</p> <p>To have an awareness of the pulse internally when singing.</p>	<p>Perform from and compose using 5 pitched notes (or 4 chords)</p> <p>Sing from memory songs from a selection of styles with accurate pitch: <i>pop grime, gospel and classical,</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning a variety of traditional and modern carols</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>To sing in unison and in simple two-parts.</p> <p>To demonstrate a good singing posture.</p> <p>To follow a leader when singing.</p> <p>To enjoy exploring singing solo.</p> <p>To re-join the song if lost.</p> <p>To listen to the group when singing.</p>	<p>Perform from and compose with 5-8 different notes; capture the work in different formats so it can be recreated.</p> <p>Sing from memory songs from a selection of styles with accurate pitch: <i>rock bossa nova, swing, pop, motown, old school hip hop and classical,</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning a variety of traditional and modern carols</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals.</p> <p>To enjoy exploring singing solo.</p> <p>To listen to the group when singing.</p> <p>To experience rapping and solo singing.</p> <p>To listen to others and be aware of how they fit into a group.</p>	<p>Perform from and compose with 8 different notes; Capture the work in different formats including staff notation so it can be recreated.</p> <p>Sing from memory songs from a selection of styles with accurate pitch: <i>pop neo soul, blues, classical as well as looking at the music of Benjamin Britten and Carole King.</i></p> <p>Christmas: learning a variety of traditional and modern carols</p> <p>Hymn Practise: learning and then singing both traditional and modern hymns.</p> <p>To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals.</p> <p>To demonstrate a good singing posture.</p> <p>To follow a leader when singing.</p> <p>To experience rapping and solo singing.</p>
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