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Listening, Appraising and Responding

NC: Appreciate and understand a wide range of high quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and great composers and musicians NC: Listen with concentration, attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory

NC: Develop an understanding of the history of music

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Shows attention to sounds	Concentrates and listens to	Listens out for particular	Recognises the work of at	Identifies the character of	Describes, compares and	Evaluates how the venue,
and music (Pre 3)	a piece of music	things i.e. instruments	least one composer	a piece of music	evaluates music using	occasion, and purpose
Responds emotionally and		when listening to music			musical vocabulary	affects the way a piece of
physically to music when it	Responds to different		Uses musical vocabulary to	Identifies and describes the	Explains why music is	music is created
changes (Pre 3)	moods in music and say		describe a piece of music or	different purposes of music	successful or unsuccessful	
Moves and dances to music	how it makes them feel		composition			Analyses features within
(Pre 3)				Begins to identify the style	Contrasts the work of a	different pieces of music
	Says whether they like or		Uses musical vocabulary to	of work of a range of	famous composer and can	
Listens with increased	dislike a piece – using		describe likes and dislikes	composers	explain preferences	Compares and contrasts
concentration to sounds	musical vocabulary		about a piece of music			the impact that different
(N)				Confidently recognises and	Develops a deeper	composers from different
Responds to what has been	Recognises & names		Confidently recognises a	explores a range of musical	understanding of the	times have had on people
heard expressing thoughts	different instruments they		range of musical	styles and traditions and	history and context of	at that time.
and simple feelings (N)	can hear		instruments and the	knows their basic style	music	
			different sounds they make	indicators		Recognises the dimensions
						of music in music heard.

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	Singing							
NC: Use the voice exp	NC: Use the voice expressively and creatively by singing songs, chants and rhymes NC: Sing musically with increasing confidence							
NC: Sing musically wi								
	ing accuracy, fluency, o							
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Enjoys and takes part in action songs such as Twinkle Twinkle Little Star. (Pre 3) Remembers and sings entire songs (N) Says Nursery Rhymes Moves to simple songs Sings simple songs and joins in with the actions Sings the pitch of a tone sung by another person – pitch match (N) Sings a melodic shape of familiar songs. (N) Sings a range of well- known nursery rhymes and songs (ELG)	Sing/perform simple songs, chants and rhymes from memory Sings collectively and at the same pitch, Responds to simple visual directions (e.g. stop, start, loud, quiet) and counting in – follow the conductor Sings simple songs with a very small range, including pentatonic songs Sings a wide range of call and response songs to control vocal pitch and to match the pitch they hear with accuracy. Understands how to sing musically after warming up, sitting or standing well so that the sounds are projected confidently	Sing songs regularly with a pitch range of do-so with expression, confidence and increasing vocal control. Sing songs with a small pitch range (e.g. Rain, Rain Go Away), pitching accurately. Knows the meaning of dynamics (loud/quiet) and tempo (fast/slow) and is able to demonstrate these when singing, by responding to (a) the leader's directions and (b) visual symbols (e.g. crescendo, decrescendo, pause) Sings short phrases independently within a singing game or short song. Sings a song in two parts	Sings a widening range of unison songs of varying styles and structures with a pitch range of do-so tunefully and with expression. Performs forte and piano, loud and soft. Perform actions confidently and in time to a range of action songs (e.g. Heads and Shoulders). Walks, moves or claps a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes. Sings songs with multiple parts with increasing confidence. Performs as a choir in school assemblies.	Continues to sing a broad range of unison songs with the range of an <i>octave</i> (<i>do-do</i>) pitching the voice accurately and following directions for getting louder (<i>crescendo</i>) and quieter (<i>decrescendo</i>) Sings rounds and <i>partner</i> <i>songs</i> in different <i>time</i> <i>signatures</i> (2, 3 and 4 time) and begin to sing repertoire with small and large leaps as well as a simple second part to introduce vocal harmony Sings as part of an ensemble with confidence and precision Performs a range of songs in school assemblies	Sings a broad range of songs from an extended repertoire with a sense of ensemble and performance. This should include observing phrasing, accurate pitching and appropriate style. Sings three-part rounds, partner songs, and songs with a verse and a chorus. Performs a range of songs in school assemblies and in school performance opportunities. Sings as part of an ensemble with confidence and precision	Sings a broad range of songs, including those that involve syncopated rhythms, as part of a choir, with a sense of ensemble and performance. This should include observing rhythm, phrasing, accurate pitching and appropriate style. Continues to sing three- and four-part rounds or partner songs, and experiment with positioning singers randomly within the group – i.e. no longer in discrete parts – in order to develop greater listening skills, balance between parts and vocal independence. Performs a range of songs as a choir in school assemblies, school performance opportunities		

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Improvising & Composing

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Experiences a range of	Improvises simple vocal	Improvises a simple rhythm	Understands that	Improvises on a limited	Improvises freely over a	Creates music with
non-tuned percussion	chants, using <i>question and</i>	using different instruments	improvisation is when a	range of pitches on the	drone, developing a sense	multiple sections that
instruments – and is able	answer phrases	including the voice	composer makes up a tune	instrument they are	of shape and character,	include repetition and
to combine sounds			within boundaries	learning, making use of	using <i>tuned percussion</i> and	contrast (in small groups)
	Understands the difference	Works with a partner to	Improvises (using voices,	musical features including	melodic instruments	
Improvises a song around	between creating a rhythm	improvise simple question	tuned/untuned percussion	smooth (<i>legato</i>) and		Uses chord changes as part
one already known (N,R)	pattern and a pitch pattern	and answer phrases, to be sung and played on	and instruments	detached (<i>staccato</i>).	Improvises over a simple <i>groove</i> , responding to the	of an improvised sequence
	Invents, retains and recalls	untuned percussion,	Invents short 'on-the-spot'	Begins to make	<i>beat</i> , creating a satisfying	Extends improvised
	rhythm and pitch patterns	creating a musical	responses using a limited	compositional decisions	melodic shape	melodies beyond 8 beats
	and performs these for	conversation	note-range	about the overall structure		over a fixed <i>groove</i> ,
	others, taking turns			of improvisations	Experiments with using a	creating a satisfying
			Structures musical ideas		wider range of <i>dynamics</i> ,	melodic shape.
			(e.g. using <i>echo</i> or	Improvises with increasing	including very loud	
			question and answer	confidence using voice,	(<i>fortissimo</i>), very quiet	
			<i>phrases</i>) to create music	rhythms and varied pitch	(<i>pianissimo</i>), moderately	
			that has a beginning,		loud (<i>mezzo forte</i>), and	
			middle and end		moderately quiet (<i>mezzo</i>	
					piano).	

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			stories, verse, images			
1			(paintings & photographs)			
			and musical sources			
			Composing			
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Creates own songs (N, R))	Creates musical sound	Uses tuned and untuned	Understands that	Combines known rhythmic	Composes complex	Plans and composes an 8-
	effects and short	classroom percussion to	composition is when a	notation with letter names	rhythms from an increasing	or 16-beat melodic phrase
	sequences of sounds in	compose and improvise	composer writes down and	to create short <i>pentatonic</i>	aural memory	using the <i>pentatonic</i> scale
	response to stimuli, e.g. a		records a musical idea	phrases using a limited		(e.g. C, D, E, G, A) and
	rainstorm or a train	Experiments with, create		range of 5 pitches suitable	Composes melodies made	incorporate rhythmic
	journey.	select and combine sounds	Combines known rhythmic	for the instruments being	from pairs of phrases in	variety and interest.
		using Pitch, Duration,	notation with letter names	learnt. Sings and play these	either C major or A minor	Playsthis melody on

Composes in response to different stimuli, e.g.

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Combines to make a story, Dynamics, Tempo, Timbre, to create	te rising and falling phrases as self-standing or a key suitable for the	
classroom instruments (e.g. rainmaker) or sound- makers (e.g. rustling leaves).Creates music in response 	s using just three do, re and mi).compositions.instrument chosen. These melodies can be enhanced with rhythmic or chordal accompanimentses song baniments on d percussion using rhythms and notenotation cards of known note values (i.e. minim, crotchet, crotchet rest and paired quavers) to createwith rhythmic or chordal accompanimentwith rhythmic or chordal accompanimentnotation cards of known note values (i.e. minim, crotchet, crotchet rest and paired quavers) to createWorking in pairs, composed a short ternary piece	 available tuned percussion and/or orchestral instruments. Notates this melody. Composes melodies made from pairs of phrases in either G major or E minor or a key suitable for the instrument chosen. Either of these melodies can be enhanced with rhythmic or chordal accompaniment. Composes a <i>ternary</i> piece; use available music software/apps to create and record it, discussing how musical contrasts are achieved. <i>Improvises and composes</i> <i>music for a range of</i> <i>purposes using the inter- related dimensions of</i> <i>music</i>

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Musicianship

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NC: Play tuned and u	intuned instruments m	usically				
NC: Use and underst	and staff and other mu	sical notations				
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Plays instruments with	Pulse/Beat	Pulse/Beat	Rhythm, Metre and	Rhythm, Metre and	Rhythm, Metre and	Rhythm, Metre and
increasing control to	Walks, moves or claps a	Understands that the speed	Tempo	Тетро	Tempo	Tempo
express feelings and ideas.	steady beat/pulse with	of the beat can change,	Understands that rhythm is	Getting faster	Simple time, compound	Simple time, compound
(N)	others, changing the speed	creating a faster or slower	a combination of long and	(accelerando),	time, syncopation	time, syncopation
	of the beat as the <i>tempo</i> of	pace (tempo- the speed of	short sounds that convey	Getting slower		
Explores and engages in	the music changes.	the music).	movement.	(<i>rallentando</i>), Bar, metre	Pitch and Melody	Pitch and Melody
music making and dance,					Full diatonic scale in	Full diatonic scale in
performing solo or in	Uses body percussion , (e.g.	Marks the beat of a	Downbeats, fast (allegro),	Copy increasingly	different keys	different keys
groups (R)	clapping, tapping, walking)	listening piece by tapping or	slow (adagio), pulse, beat	challenging rhythms using	C major, G major, F major,	D major, A major, A minor
	and <i>classroom percussion</i>	clapping and recognising		body percussion and		Chromatic scale
Performs songs, rhymes,	(shakers, sticks and blocks,	tempo as well as changes in	Pitch and Melody	untuned instruments	Structure and Form	
poems and stores with	etc.), playing repeated	tempo.	Understands that pitch is		Understands that structure	Structure and Form
others – and tried to move	rhythm patterns (ostinati)		how high or low a sound is.	Pitch and Melody	is the way a piece is built	Understands that structure
in time with music (ELG)	and short, pitched patterns	Walks in time to the beat of	Understands that melody	Pentatonic scale, major	and what order sections	is the way a piece is built
	on tuned instruments (e.g.	a piece of music or song	is a sequence of notes and	and minor tonality, pitch	are in.	and what order sections
	glockenspiels or chime		rhythms. (High, low, rising,	range	Binary from, Ternary form,	are in.
	bars) to maintain a steady	Knows the difference	falling; pitch range do-so)	do–do	verse and chorus form,	
	beat.	between left and right to			music with multiple	Ternary form, verse and
		support coordination and	Structure and Form	Structure and Form	sections	chorus form, music with
	Responds to the <i>pulse</i> in	shared movement with	Understand that structure	Rounds and partner songs,		multiple sections
	recorded/live music	others.	describes how different	repetition, contrast	Harmony	
	through movement and		sections of music are	Harmony	Triads, chord progressions	Harmony
	dance; stepping, jumping,	Begins to group beats in	ordered eg Call and	Static, moving		Triads, chord progressions
	walking on tiptoes.	twos and threes by tapping	response; question phrase,		Texture	
		knees on the first	answer phrase,	Texture	Music in 3 parts, music in 4	Texture
	Rhythm	(strongest) beat and	echo, ostinato	Duet, melody and	parts	Music in 3 parts, music in 4
	Performs short copycat	clapping the remaining		accompaniment		parts
	rhythm patterns	beats.	Harmony		Dynamics and Articulation	
	accurately, led by the		Understands that harmony	Dynamics and Articulation	USes and recognises a	Dynamics and Articulation
	teacher	Identifies the beat	is the sounding of two or	Getting louder (crescendo),	wider range of dynamics	Uses and recognises a
		<i>groupings</i> in familiar music	more notes at the same	getting softer	including fortissimo (very	wider range of dynamics
	Perform short repeating	that they sing regularly and	time - Drone	(decrescendo); legato	loud), <i>pianissimo</i> (very	including fortissimo (very
	rhythm patterns (ostinati)	listen to,		(smooth) <i>, staccato</i>	quiet), mezzo forte	loud), pianissimo (very

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	while keeping in time with		Texture	(detached)	(moderately loud) and	quiet), mezzo forte
	a steady beat.	Rhythm	Understands that texture is		mezzo piano (moderately	(moderately loud) and
		Play copycat rhythms,	the layers of sound in a	Tempo/Speed	quiet)	mezzo piano (moderately
	Perform word-pattern	copying a leader, and invent	musical work and the	Getting faster		quiet)
	chants (e.g. ca-ter-pil-lar	rhythms for others to copy	relationship between	(accelerando), getting	Tempo/Speed	
	crawl, fish and chips);	on untuned percussion.	them.	slower (<i>rallentando</i>)	Getting faster	Tempo/Speed
	create, retain and perform				(accelerando), getting	Getting faster
	their own rhythm patterns.	Create rhythms using word	Unison, layered, solo		slower (<i>rallentando</i>)	(accelerando), getting
		phrases as a starting point	Understand that texture	Instruments and Playing		slower (<i>rallentando</i>)
	Understand that rhythm		describes the layers within	Techniques	Instruments and Playing	
	describes the mixture of	Read and respond to	the music	Instruments used in	Techniques	
	long/short sounds which	chanted rhythm patterns,		Foundation Listening	Instruments used in	Instruments and Playing
	are performed on top of	and represent them with	Dynamics and Articulation	Including playing	Foundation Listening	Techniques
	the pulse	stick notation including	Understands that dynamics	techniques –	including playing	Instruments used in
		<i>crotchets, quavers</i> and	is the variation in loudness	tonguing/slurring.	techniques and effects, for	Foundation Listening
	Pulse	crotchets rests.	between notes and		example pizzicato (e.g.	including playing
	Understands that pulse is		phrases.	Reading Notation	mysterious) and tremolo	techniques and effects, for
	the underlying steady beat	Create and perform own	Loud (<i>forte</i>), quiet (<i>piano</i>)		(e.g. dark and expectant)	example pizzicato (e.g.
	of music.	chanted rhythm patterns		Introduce and understand		mysterious) and tremolo
		with the same stick	Instruments and Playing	the differences between	Reading Notation	(e.g. dark and expectant)
	Tempo/Speed	notation.	Techniques	minims, crotchets, paired	Understand the differences	
	Understand that tempo		Instruments used in	quavers and rests.	between semibreves ,	Reading Notation
	describes how fast and	Timbre	Foundation Listening		minims, crotchets and	Understand the differences
	slow the music is	Understand that timbre		Read and perform pitch	crotchet rests, dotted	between semibreves ,
		describes the character or		notation within a defined	crotchets paired quavers	minims, dotted minims,
	Dynamics	quality of sound - the	Reading Notation	range (e.g. C–G/do–so).	and semiquavers .	dotted crotchets,
	Understand that dynamics	particular tone that	Introduce the <i>stave</i> , lines			crotchets, quavers and
	is how loud or quiet the	distinguishes a sound or	and spaces, and <i>clef</i> . Use	Follow and perform simple	Understand the	semiquavers, and their
	music is	combination of sounds	dot notation to show	rhythmic <i>scores</i> to a steady	differences between 2/4,	equivalent rests .
			higher or lower pitch.	beat: maintain individual	3/4 and 4/4 time	
	Pitch	Pitch		parts accurately within the	signatures.	Further develop the skills
	Understand that pitch	Play a range of singing	Duration: Understands	rhythmic <i>texture</i> ,		to read and perform pitch
	describes how high and low	games based on the cuckoo	that duranation is the	achieving a sense of	Read and perform pitch	notation within an octave
	sounds are.	interval (so-mi, matching	length of a sound	ensemble.	notation within an octave	(e.g. C–C/ do–do).
		voices accurately,			(e.g. C–C′/do–do).	
	Listen to sounds in the	supported by a leader	Introduces and			Read and play confidently
	local school environment,	playing the melody. The	understands the		Read and play short	from rhythm notation
	comparing high and low	melody could be played on	differences between		rhythmic phrases at sight	cards and rhythmic scores

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S	ounds	a piano, acoustic	crotchets, minims and		from prepared cards, using	in up to 4 parts that
		instrument or backing track.	paired quavers.		conventional symbols for	contain known rhythms
Si	ing familiar songs in both				known rhythms and note	and note durations.
lo	ow and high voices and	Respond independently to			durations.	
ta	alk about the difference in	pitch changes heard in short	Apply word chants to			Read and play from
so	ound.	melodic phrases, indicating	rhythms, understanding			notation a four-bar phrase,
		with actions	how to link each syllable to			confidently identifying
E	xplore percussion sounds		one musical note.			note names and durations.
to	o enhance storytelling,	Recognise dot notation and				
e	.g. ascending xylophone	match it to 3-note tunes	Tonic Sol-fa – range of a 3 rd			
n	otes to suggest Jack	played on <i>tuned percussion</i> ,	do-me			
cl	limbing the beanstalk;	for example:				
q	uiet sounds created on a	••••				
ra	ainstick/shakers to depict	\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet				
	shower; regular strong					
b	eats played on a drum to	Use tuned and untuned				
re	eplicate menacing	classroom percussion to				
fc	potsteps.	play accompaniments and				
		tunes				
	ollow pictures and					
S	ymbols to guide singing	Practise, rehearse and				
	nd playing, e.g. 4 dots = 4	perform music to an				
ta	aps on the drum.	audience with confidence				

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Instrumental Performance							
NC: play and perform in solo and ense	mble contexts, using voices and instrur	ments with increasing accuracy, fluency	r, control and expression				
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Develop facility in playing tuned percussion or a melodic instrument such as violin or recorder. Play and perform melodies following <i>staff</i> <i>notation</i> using a small range (e.g. <i>Middle C</i> –E/do– mi) as a whole class or in small groups (e.g. <i>trios</i>	Develop facility in the basic skills of a selected musical instrument over a sustained learning period.	Play melodies on <i>tuned percussion</i> , melodic instruments or keyboards, following <i>staff</i> <i>notation</i> written on one stave and using notes within the Middle C–C'/do–do range.	Play a melody following <i>staff notation</i> written on one stave and using notes within an <i>octave range</i> <i>(do-do)</i> ; make decisions about dynamic range, including very loud (), very quiet (), moderately loud () and moderately quiet ().				
and quartets).	Play and perform melodies following staff notation using a small range (e.g. Middle C–G/do–	Understand how <i>triads</i> are formed, and play them on tuned percussion, melodic instruments	Accompany this same melody, and others, using				
Use listening skills to correctly order phrases using <i>dot notation</i> , showing different arrangements of notes C-D-E/do-re-mi (see	so) as a whole-class or in small groups.	or keyboards. Perform simple, chordal accompaniments to familiar songs	block chords or a bass line. This could be done using keyboards, <i>tuned percussion</i> or tablets, or demonstrated at the board using an online				
illustration):	Perform in two or more parts (e.g. <i>melody and accompaniment</i> or a <i>duet</i>) from simple notation	Perform a range of repertoire pieces and <i>arrangements</i> combining acoustic instruments to	keyboard.				
	using instruments played in whole class teaching. Identify <i>static</i> and <i>moving parts</i> .	form mixed ensembles, including a school orchestra.	Engage with others through ensemble playing with pupils taking on melody or accompaniment roles. The accompaniment, if instrumental, could				
Individually (<i>solo</i>) copy stepwise melodic phrases		Develop the skill of playing by ear on tuned	be chords or a single-note bass line.				
with accuracy at different speeds; <i>allegro</i> and <i>adagio</i> , fast and slow. Extend to question-and-answer phrases.	Copy short melodic phrases including those using the pentatonic scale (e.g. C, D, E, G, A).	instruments, copying longer phrases and familiar melodies.					
	Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts	Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts					
Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts with confidence	with confidence	with some accuracy, control, fluency and expression					

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Musical Vocabulary

Suggested year group in which	Suggested year group in which vocabulary could be introduced verbally								
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 & 6				
Rhyme	Chant	Crescendo, (getting	Unison	Octave	Groove				
Action	Pulse	louder)	Harmony	Rest	fortissimo, (very loud)				
Pitch	Pitch	Decrescendo (getting	Solo	Time Signature	pianissimo (very quiet)				
Melody	Beat	softer)	Drone	Bar/line	mezzo forte (moderately				
Tune	Pattern	Pause	Forte (loud)	Treble/Bass	loud)				
Instrument	Ostinato	Improvise	Texture	Duet	mezzo piano (moderately				
Voice	Rhythm	Conversation	Piano (soft)	Legato (smooth)	quiet)				
Stop	Conductor	Compose	Stave	Staccato (detached)	Binary				
Start	Sequence	Composer	Allegro (Fast)	Pentatonic	Ternary				
Loud	Verse	Duration	Clef	Major/Minor chords	Chordal				
Soft	Symbol	Timbre	Adagio (slow)	Score	Triad				
Quiet	Chorus	Texture	Crotchet	Staff Notation	Diatonic				
Fast	Dynamic	Structure.	Echo	stave	Pizzicato				
Slow	Repeat		Minim	Accelerando (getting	Tremolo				
	Tempo		Phrases	faster)	Syncopated				
	Sound		Quaver	Rallentando (getting	syncopation				
	Speed		Composition	slower)	Expression				
	Unturned/tuned		Semibreve	Semiquaver	Variations				
	Percussion		Improvisation	Contrast	Rondo				
	Call & Response		Accompaniment		Introduction				
	Graphic Notation		Metre		Interlude				
			Form						
			Silence						
			Increase						
			Decrease						
			Phrase						