

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

That by the end of KS2, pupils will:

- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression
- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music
- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory
- use and understand staff and other musical notations
- appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians
- develop an understanding of the history of music

Term	Topic	Key Learning	Vocabulary
Autumn	Composition notation	Know that simple pictures can be used to represent the structure (organisation) of music Understand that a slow tempo and a minor key (pitch) can be used to make music sound sad Understand that in written staff notation, notes can go on or between lines, and that the lines show the pitch of the note Represent the features of a piece of music using graphic notation, and colours, justifying their choices with reference to musical vocabulary Develop confidence in using detailed musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own and others' work Compose a detailed piece of music from a given stimulus with voices, bodies and instruments (Remix, Colours, Stories, Drama) Improvise coherently within a given style Use staff notation to record rhythms and melodies Select, discuss and refine musical choices both alone and with others, using musical vocabulary with confidence Suggest and demonstrate improvements to own and others' work Sing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression Work as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a graphic score, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group Perform with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation	features, notation, repeating, unison, composition, structure, melody, tempo, ensemble, minor key



Spring	Blues	Understand that a chord is the layering of several pitches played at the same time	blues, chord, 12-bar blues, bar,
		Know that 12-bar Blues is a sequence of 12 bars of music, made up of three different chords	scale, blues scale, bent notes,
		Know that 'blues' music aims to share feelings and blues songs tend to be about sadness or	ascending scale, descending
		worry	scale, improvisation
		Know that a 'bent note' is a note that varies in its pitch, eg the pitch may slide up or down	
		Recognise and confidently discuss the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions	
		of music using musical vocabulary	
		Represent the features of a piece of music using graphic notation, and colours, justifying their	
		choices with reference to musical vocabulary	
		Compare, discuss and evaluate music using detailed musical vocabulary	
		Improvise coherently within a given style	
		Select, discuss and refine musical choices both alone and with others, using musical vocabulary	
		with confidence	
		Suggest and demonstrate improvements to own and others' work	
		Sing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy,	
		fluency, control and expression	
		Work as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a	
		graphic score, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group	
		Perform with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation	
		Play a simple chord progression with accuracy and fluency	



Spring/Summer	South and West Africa	Know that songs sung in other languages can contain sounds that are unfamiliar to us, like the	a cappella, call and response,
		clicks of the Xhosa language	dynamics, performance, chord,
		Know that 'The Click Song' is a traditional song sung in the Xhosa language and is believed to	improvisation, ostinato, break,
		bring good luck at weddings	poly-rhythms, master drummer,
		Understand that major chords create a bright, happy sound	syncopation, metronome
		Know that poly-rhythms means many rhythms played at once	
		Recognise and confidently discuss the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions	
		of music using musical vocabulary	
		Compare, discuss and evaluate music using detailed musical vocabulary	
		Develop confidence in using detailed musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related	
		dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own and others' work	
		Improvise coherently within a given style	
		Combine rhythmic patterns (ostinato) into a multi-layered composition using all the inter-	
		related dimensions of music to add musical interest	
		Sing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy,	
		fluency, control and expression	
		Work as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a	
		graphic score, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group	
		Perform with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation	
		Play a simple chord progression with accuracy and fluency	



Summer	Composition to represent	Know that a vocal composition is a piece of music created only using voices	synesthesia, dynamics, holi,
	the festival colour	Understand that varying effects can be created using only your voice, for example by changing	graphic score, vocal
	the restival colour	the pitch, dynamic or tempo of the sounds made	composition, performance
		Understand that human voices have their own individual timbre, and that this can be adapted	
		by using the voice in different ways	
		Know that the duration of a note or phrase in music can be shown using a repeated symbol or	
		the size of a symbol on a graphic score	
		Recognise and confidently discuss the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions	
		of music using musical vocabulary	
		Represent the features of a piece of music using graphic notation, and colours, justifying their	
		choices with reference to musical vocabulary	
		Compare, discuss and evaluate music using detailed musical vocabulary	
		Develop confidence in using detailed musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related	
		dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own and others' work	
		Compose a detailed piece of music from a given stimulus with voices, bodies and instruments	
		(Remix, Colours, Stories, Drama)	
		Select, discuss and refine musical choices both alone and with others, using musical vocabulary	
		with confidence	
		Work as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a	
		graphic score, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group	
		Perform with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation	