

Music curriculum long-term plan

Sparkyard Music Curriculum 2024 + enrichment Weekly singing assemblies linked to themes

Year A curriculum cycle

	Autumn	Spring	Summer		
YR	Seasonal songs, poems and rhymes percussion instruments. Clapping rhythms.				
Y1/2	Time to Play - Exploring Pulse and Rhythmic Patterns (2)	Exploring Sounds (1)	Patterns with Pitch – Exploring Pitch and Melody (2)		
	Step 1: Performing rhythms and movement to a	Step 1: Exploring how sounds can be changed	Step 1: Identifying and describing changes in pitch		
	steady pulse	Step 2: Exploring the timbre of instruments and voices	Step 2: Copying pitch patterns		
	Step 2: Copying and creating rhythmic patterns Step 3: Combining rhythmic patterns	Step 3: Sequencing sounds to tell stories and create	Step 3: Creating and notating simple melodies Step 4: Performing simple musical		
	Step 4: Representing rhythmic patterns	effects	accompaniments and preparing for performance		
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		sounds			
	Christmas Production				
	Carol singing performance for Baptist Church				
Y3/4	Hear it, Play it! Exploring Rhythm Patterns (3)	Musical Contrasts (4)	Sing, Play, Notate! (3)		
	Step 1: Feeling the pulse and copying rhythm	Step 1: Exploring instrument timbre and instrument	Step 1: Describing and experimenting with pitch		
	patterns	families	Step 2: Representing pitch		
	Step 2: Exploring call and response	Step 2: Exploring major and minor tonalities	Step 3: Exploring the pentatonic scale		
	Step 3: Performing a simple rhythmic ostinato	Step 3: Recognising and responding to musical	Step 4: Performing songs with tuned		
	Step 4: Composing and notating rhythmic patterns	instructions Step 4: Composing in a structure	accompaniments		
		Step 4. Composing in a structure			
	KS2 Christmas carol concert for St Michael's Church				
Y5/6	Rhythm Builders – Exploring Rhythmic Layers (5)	Musical Effects and Moods (6)	Exploring Melody, Harmony and Lyrics (5)		
	Step 1: Exploring time signatures and performing	Step 1: Improvising and exploring vocal and	Step 1: Exploring melodic layers		
	together	instrumental effects	Step 2: Exploring scales, intervals and chords		
	Step 2: Performing rhythms expressively	Step 2: Using harmony to create moods and	Step 3: Creating and playing harmonic		
	Step 3: Exploring rhythm texture	atmosphere	accompaniments		
	Step 4: Creating and notating musical texture	Step 3: Exploring musical styles and performance	Step 4: Combining lyrics, melody and harmony		
		skills Step 4: Composing and performing music to create			
	KS2 Christmas carol concert for St Michael's Church	moods and atmosphere	KS2 Production		
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Year B curriculum cycle

	Autumn	Spring	Summer		
YR	Seasonal songs, poems and rhymes percussion instruments. Clapping rhythms.				
Y1/2	Move to the Beat – Exploring Pulse and Rhythm (1)	Musical Moods and Pictures (2)	High and Low – Exploring Pitch (1)		
	Step 1: Exploring pulse through songs and movement Step 2: Controlling pulse using voices and instruments Step 3: Exploring the difference between pulse and rhythm Step 4: Copying and creating rhythm patterns	Step 1: Recognising and exploring musical mood Step 2: Choosing sounds to match a character, mood or theme Step 3: Sequencing and combining sounds to tell stories and create effects Step 4: Creating and performing soundscapes	Step 1: Recognising changes in pitch and copying simple pitch patterns Step 2: Performing simple melodic patterns using voice and pitched instruments Step 3: Representing pitch Step 4: Creating music for a performance		
	Christmas Production Carol singing performance for Baptist Church				
Y3/4	Playing with Rhythm – Playing Together and Rhythmic Structures (4)	Painting Pictures with Sound (3)	Melody Builders – Exploring Melodies and Song Structures (4)		
	Step 1: Copying rhythmic patterns and performing together Step 2: Exploring notation Step 3: Sticking to my part Step 4: Composing in a rhythmic framework	Step 1: Identifying the inter-related dimensions of music Step 2: Accompanying songs with suitable timbre and expression Step 3: Creating sounds in response to a stimulus Step 4: To compose music to accompany stories and settings	Step 1: Describing and internalising pitch Step 2: Composing and improvising with a given range of notes Step 3: Composing and notating melodies Step 4: Exploring song structure and preparing for performance		
	KS2 Christmas carol concert for St Michael's Church	ECHOES project at the Royal Albert Hall			
Y5/6	We've Got Rhythm – Rhythmic Devices and Structure (6)	We've Got Rhythm – Rhythmic Devices and Structure (6)	Celebrating Songs (6)		
	Step 1: Exploring time signatures and performing together Step 2: Performing rhythms expressively – solo and in small groups Step 3: Performing polyrhythms with expression Step 4: Organising rhythmic ideas in a structure	Step 1: Developing an understanding of the inter- related dimensions and musical vocabulary Step 2: Improvising musical patterns Step 3: Exploring Jazz Step 4: Composing and notating music inspired by lyrics and poetry	Production music Step 1: Investigating song ingredients Step 2: Exploring scales and sequences Step 3: Playing and creating chord sequences and basslines Step 4: Composing and performing music for an occasion		
	KS2 Christmas carol concert for St Michael's Church		KS2 production		