



St Michael and All Angels Church of England Primary

Autumn Spring Summer Throughout Year

		Key Skills		
	Understanding Music	Listen and Appraise	Singing	Notation
Reception	Watch and talk about	 Understand how to 	• Learn rhymes, poems	
	dance and performance	listen carefully and why	and songs.	
	art, expressing their	listening is important.	 Sing in a group or on 	
	feelings and responses.	Listen carefully to	their own, increasingly	
		rhymes and songs, paying	matching the pitch and	
	Clap out beat structure	attention to how they	following the melody.	
	of longer words.	sound.		
	ELG: Listening, Attention and	Listen attentively, move	ELG: Being Imaginative and	
	Understanding: Make comments	to and talk about music,	Expressive: Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.	
	about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify	expressing their feelings	ELG: Being imaginative and	
	understanding)	and responses.	expressive: Perform songs rhymes, poems and stores with	
	ELG: Being imaginative and	ELG: <u>Listening</u> , <u>Attention and</u> Understanding: Make comments	others, and – when appropriate	
	expressive: Perform songs rhymes, poems and stores with	about what they have heard and	try to move in time with the	
	others, and – when appropriate	ask questions to clarify	music. ELG: Building Relationships: Work	
	try to move in time with the	understanding)	and play co-operatively and take	
	music.		turns with others.	
Year 1	 Begin to find and 	• Try to	 Begin to understand 	 Explore ways of
	internalise the pulse on	recognise/identify very	working together as part	representing high and
	their own or with	simple style indicators	of a group and with their	low sounds, and long and
	support. • Try to or	and different instruments	friends, gradually	short sounds, using
	demonstrate more	used.		symbols and any







	confidently how they find/feel the pulse. • Begin to demonstrate how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together — copy a simple rhythm over the pulse and begin to sing in time to a backing track. • Clap the rhythm of your name, favourite food, favourite colour etc. • Begin to understand how pulse, rhythm and pitch and tempo work together.	 Start using basic musical language to describe the music you are listening to and your feelings towards it. Begin to listen, with respect, to other people's ideas and feelings towards the music you have listened to. March, clap, tap your knees, move to find and internalise the pulse. Continue to understand what it means to find the pulse. Discuss simple dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch, and perhaps tempo and dynamics) and how they fit into the music you are 	developing the confidence to sing alone. • Begin to understand the importance of warming up their voices and to establish a good singing position. Stop and start as appropriate, begin to follow a leader/conductor. • Start to consider that words mean something and how they work together with the music. • Sing with a good sense of the pulse internally and try to sing together with the group.	appropriate means of notation. • Explore standard notation by selecting and combining sounds.
		listening to.		
Year 2	 Continue to find and internalise the pulse on their own or with support. To demonstrate more 	• Try to recognise/identify very simple style indicators and different instruments used.	Begin to understand working together as part of a group and with their friends, gradually	 Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any







	confidently how they find/feel the pulse. Begin to demonstrate how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together copy a simple rhythm over the pulse and sing in time to the backing track. Clap the rhythm of your name, favourite food, favourite colour etc. Begin to understand how pulse, rhythm and pitch and simple dynamics (loud and quiet) and tempo work together and are distributed through Songs / music.	 Start using basic musical language to describe the music you are listening to and your feelings towards it. Begin to listen, with respect, to other people's ideas and feelings towards the music you have listened to. March, clap, tap your knees, move to find and internalise the pulse. Continue to understand what it means to find the pulse. Discuss simple dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch, and perhaps tempo and dynamics) and how they fit into the music you are 	developing the confidence to sing alone. • Begin to understand the importance of warming up their voices and to establish a good singing position. Stop and start as appropriate, begin to follow a leader/conductor. • Start to consider that words mean something and how they work together with the music. • Sing with a good sense of the pulse internally and try to sing together with the group.	appropriate means of notation. • Explore standard notation by selecting and combining sounds.
		fit into the music you are listening to.		
Year 3	 Find and internalise the pulse on your own. Stay in time with a backing track with minimal support. 	• Find the pulse, the steady beat to the music they are listening to and understand what that means.	Sing in tune within a limited pitch range and continue to understand: • How to work together as part of a group and	• Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any





- Demonstrate how you find/feel the pulse, with support.
- Demonstrate a fast and slow pulse.
- Demonstrate more confidently how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together
- Copy a simple rhythm over the pulse and sing/play back over a backing track in time with minimal support.
- Clap/play simple rhythms/copy one-two note pitches confidently and create their own rhythm when asked.
- Lead others if asked.
- Have a deeper understanding of how pulse, rhythm and pitch, dynamics (loud, quiet, smooth,) and tempo work together and are distributed through songs / music

- More consistently use accurate musical language to describe and talk about music. Listen to other ideas about music, respect those ideas and feelings.
- Continue to realise/understand and show low pulse, rhythm and pitch fit together.
- Identify basic musical styles through learning about their style indicators and the instruments played.

- with their friends, developing the confidence to sing alone.
- The importance of warming up their voices and to establish a good singing position.
- How to perform a song stylistically and as musically as you can. How to sing with a good sense of the pulse internally and sing together and in time with the group. Begin singing in two parts.
- How to follow a leader/conductor with confidence.

- appropriate means of notation.
- Explore standard notation
- Read and perform pitch notation within a range.
- Follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat.
- •Maintain rhythm to a steady beat.



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Year 4

- Find and internalise the pulse on your own and stay in time.
- Demonstrate how you find/feel the pulse, with ease.
- Demonstrate a fast and slow pulse.
- Demonstrate more confidently how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together
- Copy a simple rhythm over the pulse and sing/play back over a backing track in time.
- Clap/play simple rhythms/copy one-two note pitches confidently and create their own rhythm when asked.
- Lead others if asked..
- Have a deeper understanding of how pulse, rhythm and pitch, dynamics and tempo work together and are

- Find the pulse, the steady beat to the music they are listening to and understand what that means.
- More consistently use accurate musical language to describe and talk about music.
 Listen to other ideas about music, respect those ideas and feelings.
- Continue to realise/understand and show low pulse, rhythm and pitch fit together.
- Identify basic musical styles through learning about their style indicators and the instruments played.

- Sing in tune within a limited pitch range and continue to understand:
- How to work together as part of a group and with their friends, developing the confidence to sing alone.
- The importance of warming up their voices and to establish a good singing position.
- How to perform a song stylistically and as musically as you can. How to sing with a good sense of the pulse internally and sing together and in time with the group. To sing in two parts.
- How to follow a leader/conductor with confidence.

- Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any appropriate means of notation.
- Explore standard notation
- Read and perform pitch notation within a range.
- Follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat.
- •Maintain rhythm to a steady beat.







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	/ music			
Year 5	Find and internalise the	• Find the pulse	Understand how to	• Explore ways of
	pulse on your own and	confidently and innately,	work together as part of	representing high and
	with ease.	of the music they are	a group and in an	low sounds, and long and
	 Demonstrate how you 	listening to and	ensemble or, as a soloist.	short sounds, using
	find/feel the pulse, with	understand what that	• Continue to	symbols and any
	ease.	means.	understand the	appropriate means of
	Demonstrate a fast and	• Continue to realise /	importance of warming	notation.
	slow pulse.	understand / explain /	up your voice and to	• Explore standard
	Understand and	give examples and show	establish a good singing	notation
	demonstrate with	how pulse, rhythm and	position.	 Follow and perform
	increasing confidence,	pitch fit together. Include	 Perform and interpret a 	rhythm scores
	how pulse, rhythm and	tempo, dynamics, timbre,	song stylistically and as	 Read and perform
	pitch work together	texture and structure if	musically as you can.	pitch notation within an
	 Copy a simple rhythm 	possible.	 Sing with a good sense 	octave (eg C-C'/dodo).
	over the pulse and	 Continue to identify 	of the pulse internally	
	sing/play back over the	musical styles through	and sing together and in	
	backing track in time	learning about their style	time with the group.	
	• Clap/play	indicators and the	Understand the	
	rhythms/copy one to two	instruments played.	importance of clear	
	note pitches with	Some will be learnt again	diction and tuning.	
	increasing confidence	in greater depth.	• Follow a	
	and create their own	•Use accurate musical	leader/conductor with	
	rhythm when asked.	language confidently and	confidence and ease,	
	 Lead others if asked. 	with understanding to	understand why and how	





	 develop a deeper understanding of how pulse, rhythm and pitch, dynamics and tempo work together and are distributed through songs/music. 	describe and talk about music •Listen to other ideas about music, respect those ideas and feelings.	the ensemble works/fits together. • Build confidence in leading a group.	
Year 6	 Find and internalise the pulse on your own and with ease. Demonstrate how you find/feel the pulse, with ease. Demonstrate a fast and slow pulse. Understand and demonstrate confidently how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together – copy a simple rhythm over the pulse and sing/play back over a backing track in time with confidence. Clap/play rhythms/copy one to two note pitches confidently 	 Continue to identify musical styles through learning about their style indicators and the instruments played. Some will be learnt again in greater depth. Use accurate musical language confidently and with understanding to describe and talk about music Listen to other ideas about music, respect those ideas and feelings. 	 Understand how to work together as part of a group and in an ensemble or, as a soloist. Continue to understand the importance of warming up your voice and to establish a good singing position. Perform and interpret a song stylistically and as musically as you can. Sing with a good sense of the pulse internally and sing together and in time with the group. Understand the importance of clear diction and tuning. 	 Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and appropriate means of notation including standard notation. Explore standard notation Follow and perform rhythm scores Read and perform pitch notation within an octave (eg C-C'/dodo).





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Have a deeper	understand why and how
understanding of how	the ensemble works/fits
pulse, rhythm and pitch,	together.
a range of dynamics and	Confidently lead a
tempo work together,	group.
their purpose in music	
and how they are	
distributed through	
songs/music.	

	Practical Skills			
	Composing	Performing		
Reception	Play instruments with increasing	g control to express their feelings and ideas.		
	• Explore collections of materials	with similar and/or different properties.		
	• Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know.			
	• Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.			
	ELG: <u>Creating with materials</u> : Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.			
	ELG: Creating with materials: Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.			
	ELG: Being imaginative and expressive: Perform songs rhymes, poems and stores with others, and – when appropriate try to move in time w			
	music. ELG: Building Relationships: Work and play co-operatively and take turns with others.			



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Year 1 Create your own very simple melodies (usually in a group) within the context of the song that is being learnt.

- Create compositions using one or two notes, increasing to three notes if appropriate.
- Record the composition in any way appropriate.
- Notate music in different ways, using graphic/pictorial notation, video, ICT.
- Musically demonstrate a very simple understanding and use of the interrelated dimensions of music as appropriate within this context of creating and making music eg getting louder (dynamics), quieter (dynamics), higher (pitch), lower (pitch).
- Begin to recognise/identify the awareness of a link between shape and pitch using graphic notations or simply writing the melody in any way they will remember it.

Continue to develop confidence and precision in performance throughout the year.

- Start to work together as part of an Ensemble / band. Remember the importance of starting and ending together.
- Try to follow the conductor/band leader.
- Perform what you have learnt to other people. Play your instrument, improvise and play your compositions as part of this performance and with as much confidence as possible.
- Perform with some understanding that the performance can include everything that has been undertaken during the learning process of the unit. Everything you have learnt fits together.
- Practise, rehearse and present performances with some awareness of an audience. Begin to realise that performance can influence how music is presented. Try to communicate your ideas, thoughts and feelings through simple musical demonstration.
- Watch a recording and/or discuss the performance. Offer helpful and thoughtful comments and feedback about others.
- Begin to play a classroom instrument as part of a group/ensemble and as part of the song that is being learnt.
 Move between differentiated parts as required using a sound-before-symbol approach.

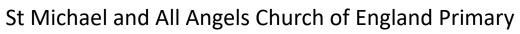






		 Learn to stop/start and respond to basic musical cues from the leader/conductor. Learn how to treat your instrument with respect and how to play it correctly. Play as part of your ensemble/group with a sound - before-symbol (by ear) approach.
Year 2	 Create compositions using one or two notes, increasing to three notes if appropriate. Record the composition in any way appropriate. 	Continue to develop confidence and precision in performance throughout the year.
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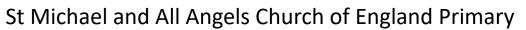
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Year 3	 Compose a section of music that can be added to a performance of a song. Continue to create your own more complex melodies (usually in a group) within the context of the song that is being learnt. Move beyond composing using two notes, increasing to three notes if appropriate. Record the composition in any way appropriate. Notate music in different ways, using graphic/pictorial notation, video. Musically demonstrate an understanding and use of the interrelated dimensions of music as appropriate within this context of creating and 	 Present a musical performance of a song or piece of music to an audience, demonstrating the historic, stylistic knowledge and understanding of the song/piece through the performance. Perform what you have learnt to other people. Play your instrument, improvise and play your compositions as part of this performance and with as much confidence and accuracy as possible. Perform with a deeper understanding. A performance can include everything that has been undertaken during the learning process of the unit. Everything you have learnt fits together.
	appropriate within this context of creating and making music eg getting louder (dynamics), quieter	 Practise, rehearse and present performances with awareness of an audience.





	(dynamics), higher (pitch), lower (pitch), faster (tempo), slower (tempo). • Continue to recognise/identify the awareness of a link between shape and pitch using graphic notations or simply writing the melody in any way they will remember it.	 Continue to play a classroom instrument as part of a group/ensemble and as part of the song you are learning. Play with more knowledge, confidence and ease. Move between differentiated parts as required using a sound-before-symbol approach. Use notation if appropriate. Continue to respond to basic musical cues from the leader/conductor. Follow the leader confidently. Continue to treat your instrument with respect and care and to play it correctly. Play more confidently as part of your ensemble/group with a sound-before-symbol (by ear) approach or, with notation if appropriate.
Year 4	 Continue to create your own more complex melodies (usually in a group) within the context of the song that is being learnt. Move beyond composing using two notes, increasing to three notes if appropriate. Record the composition in any way appropriate. Notate music in different ways, using graphic/pictorial notation, video. Musically demonstrate an understanding and use of the interrelated dimensions of music as appropriate within this context of creating and making music eg getting louder (dynamics), quieter 	 Present a musical performance of a song or piece of music to an audience, demonstrating the historic, stylistic knowledge and understanding of the song/piece through the performance. Perform what you have learnt to other people. Play your instrument, improvise and play your compositions as part of this performance and with as much confidence and accuracy as possible. Perform with a deeper understanding. A performance can include everything that has been undertaken during the learning process of the unit. Everything you have learnt fits together.







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		using a sound-before-symbol approach. Use notation if appropriate. • Continue to respond to basic musical cues from the leader/conductor. Follow the leader confidently. • Continue to treat your instrument with respect and care and to play it correctly. • Play more confidently as part of your
		ensemble/group with a sound-before-symbol (by ear) approach or, with notation if appropriate.
Year 5	Compose a section of music that can be added to a performance of a song. • Confidently create your own melodies within the context of the song that is being learnt and do this with deeper understanding.	 Present a musical performance of a song or piece of music to an audience, demonstrating the historic, stylistic knowledge and understanding of the song/piece, through the performance. Perform what you have learnt to your audience.
	 Move beyond composing using two notes, increasing to three notes then five if appropriate. Use voice, sounds, and instruments in creative ways. Record the composition in any way appropriate. 	Play your instrument, improvise and play your compositions as part of this performance and with as much confidence and accuracy as possible. • Perform with a deeper understanding that the performance can include everything that has been







	 Continue to musically demonstrate an understanding and use of the interrelated dimensions of music as appropriate including dynamics. Recognise and musically and/or verbally demonstrate awareness of a link between shape and pitch using notations if appropriate. 	undertaken during the learning process of the unit. Everything you have learnt fits together. • Practise, rehearse and present performances with awareness of an audience. Begin to realise that performance can influence how music is presented. Communicate your ideas, thoughts and feelings through simple musical demonstration. • Watch a recording and/or discuss the performance. Offer helpful and thoughtful comments and feedback about others.
		 Continue to play a classroom instrument (or band instrument) as part of a group / ensemble and as part of the song you are learning. Play with more knowledge, confidence, ease and enjoyment. Move between differentiated parts as required using a sound-before-symbol approach. Use notation if appropriate. Demonstrate confidence and fluency when playing your instrument in a solo or ensemble context. Continue to treat your instrument with respect and care and to play it correctly. Play more confidently as part of your ensemble/group with a sound-before-symbol (by ear)
Year 6	Compose a section of music that can be added to a performance of a song.	 approach or, with notation Present a musical performance of a song or piece of music to an audience, demonstrating the historic,





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- Move beyond composing using two notes, increasing to three notes then five if appropriate.
- Use voice, sounds and instruments in creative ways. Record the composition in any way appropriate.
- Continue to musically demonstrate an understanding and use of the interrelated dimensions of music as appropriate including a range of pitch and dynamics.
- Recognise and musically and/or verbally demonstrate awareness of a link between shape and pitch, beginning to use standard notation to represent this.

- stylistic knowledge and understanding of the song/piece, through the performance.
- Perform what you have learnt to your audience. Play your instrument, improvise and play your compositions as part of this performance and with as much confidence and accuracy as possible.
- Perform with a deeper understanding that the performance can include everything that has been undertaken during the learning process of the unit. Everything you have learnt fits together.
- Practise, rehearse and present performances with awareness of an audience. Begin to realise that performance can influence how music is presented. Communicate your ideas, thoughts and feelings through simple musical demonstration.
- Watch a recording and/or discuss the performance. Offer helpful and thoughtful comments and feedback about others.
- Continue to play a classroom instrument (or band instrument) as part of a group / ensemble and as part of the song you are learning. Play with more knowledge, confidence, ease and enjoyment.
- Move between differentiated parts as required using a sound-before-symbol approach. Use notation if appropriate.
- Demonstrate confidence and fluency when playing your instrument in a solo or ensemble context.





	 Continue to treat your instrument with respect and care and to play it correctly. Play more confidently as part of your ensemble/group with a sound-before-symbol (by ear)
	approach or, with notation
INTER-RELATED DIMENSIONS OF MUSIC (Dynamics)	
 RHYTHM: or duration is the pattern of le DYNAMICS: Loud and soft TEMPO: Fast and slow 	es change from low to high and vice versa. ong and short sounds in a piece of music hum/sing/talk (examples with the voice) or twinkly/hard/soft nstruments or voices playing together)