

## Music Progression Document

|            |   |  | Perfor  | ming - Singing  |   |  |   |
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| Curriculum | EYFS  | Year 1   | Year 2  | Year 3  | Year 4  | Year 5   | Year 6  |
| Strand     | ELG<br>To sing a range of well-<br>known nursery rhymes<br>and songs<br>To perform songs,<br>rhymes, poems and<br>stories with others, and<br>– when appropriate try<br>to move in time with<br>music | To learn about voices,<br>singing notes of different<br>pitches (high and low)<br>To learn that they can<br>make different types of<br>sounds with their voices –<br>e.g. high and low sounds<br>To learn to start and stop<br>singing when following a<br>leader<br>To sing in unison | To take part in vocal warm<br>up exercises<br>To learn about voices,<br>singing notes of different<br>pitches (high and low) in<br>more complex songs.<br>To learn that they can<br>make different types of<br>sounds with their voices –<br>e.g. rap (spoken word with<br>rhythm)<br>To learn to find a<br>comfortable singing<br>position<br>To sing in unison and sing<br>simple part songs<br>To know that singing in<br>unison means all singing<br>together | To take part in vocal<br>warm up exercises and<br>understand their<br>importance<br>To sing in unison and in<br>simple two-parts<br>To demonstrate a good<br>singing posture<br>To follow a leader when<br>singing and listen to<br>other singers<br>To enjoy exploring<br>singing in small groups<br>To sing alongside the<br>teacher "in tune" to<br>develop an awareness of<br>being "in tune"<br>To have an awareness of<br>the pulse internally<br>when singing<br>To sing with an<br>awareness of the mood<br>of a song | Guitars<br>To sing back sol fa phrases<br>To sing in 2 parts (rounds) | To know the importance<br>of warming up your<br>voice and when to take a<br>breath<br>To sing in unison, in<br>simple parts and to sing<br>backing vocals<br>To continue to<br>demonstrate a good<br>singing posture<br>To follow a leader when<br>singing<br>To listen to the<br>dynamics of the group<br>when singing<br>To experience rapping<br>and singing in pairs or<br>small groups<br>To sing with awareness<br>of being 'in tune'<br>To know and sing songs<br>and their parts from<br>memory and to sing<br>them with a strong<br>internal pulse<br>To explore and choose a<br>song and be able to talk<br>about its main features,<br>singing in unison, the<br>solo, lead vocal, backing<br>vocals or rapping | To know and explain the<br>importance of warming up<br>your voice and know to<br>breathe from the<br>diaphragm<br>To sing in unison, sing part<br>songs and to sing backing<br>vocals to suit their<br>individual strengths<br>To follow a leader with<br>increased confidence<br>when singing<br>To listen to each other and<br>be aware of how they fit<br>into the group and sing<br>coherently<br>To experience rapping and<br>solo singing<br>To sing with increased<br>confidence of being 'in<br>tune'<br>To know and confidently<br>sing songs and their parts<br>from memory and to sing<br>them with a strong<br>internal pulse<br>To critically choose a song<br>to suit the strength of the<br>group and be able to talk<br>about its main features,<br>singing in unison, the solo,<br>lead vocal, backing vocals<br>or rapping<br>To know about the style of<br>a range of songs and be<br>able to represent the<br>feeling and context to an<br>audience |



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| Curriculum | EYFS   | Year 1  | Year 2  | Year 3   | Year 4  | Year 5   | Year 6   |
| Strand     | ELG<br>To use a range of small<br>tools, including<br>scissors, paint brushes<br>and cutlery | To treat instruments<br>carefully and with respect<br>To learn to play simple<br>percussion parts on<br>untuned and tuned<br>percussion instruments<br>To learn to play a simple<br>accompaniment to a song<br>on a glockenspiel and a<br>recorder<br>To listen to and follow<br>musical instructions from a<br>leader<br>To know a performance is<br>sharing music with an<br>audience and it can be a<br>special occasion involving<br>a class, a year group or<br>whole school | To treat instruments<br>carefully and learn how to<br>handle and play a range of<br>untuned and tuned<br>percussion instruments<br>To learn to play a tuned<br>instrumental part to<br>accompany a song on<br>glockenspiels and<br>recorders<br>To play the part in time<br>with the steady pulse<br>To listen to and follow<br>with increased confidence<br>to musical instructions<br>from a leader | To play a part on a tuned<br>instrument from<br>memory or using simple<br>notation (including<br>minims and minim rests,<br>crochet and crochet<br>rests, semibreve,<br>semibreve rests)<br>To rehearse as a whole<br>class and perform their<br>part within the context<br>of a song<br>To recognise and be able<br>to talk about the<br>instruments used in<br>class | Guitars<br>To play a steady pulse<br>To play E, B and G strings<br>To play a variety of simple<br>rhythms using the rest<br>stroke<br>To change between E and<br>B and G strings<br>To play the A note<br>To learn finger numbers<br>and how to use frets<br>To change between G and<br>A notes<br>To play phrases moving in<br>step and skip<br>To change between B, A<br>and G notes<br>To review all phrases,<br>notes and patterns learnt<br>to play a piece of music<br>To be able to change<br>fluently between different<br>notes<br>To play the D string<br>To maintain their own part<br>in an ensemble<br>To play with correct<br>posture and technique<br>To play in a reggae style<br>To learn how to play a<br>chord (E minor)<br>To play fluently using B<br>and A<br>To make improvements to<br>their own and others work<br>To learn the note C<br>To be able to play CB<br>phrases<br>To copy phrases accurately<br>– Mild Thing | To play a musical<br>instrument with the<br>correct technique within<br>the context of a song<br>To select and learn a<br>simple instrumental part<br>to play from memory or<br>using notation<br>To rehearse in their<br>instrumental group and<br>perform their part<br>within the context of a<br>song<br>To lead a rehearsal<br>session in small groups<br>To begin to know and<br>use different ways of<br>writing music down –<br>e.g. graphic scoring,<br>symbols, staff notation<br>To begin to know the<br>notes C, D, E, F, G, A, B +<br>C on the treble stave<br>and where appropriate,<br>use them | To play their chosen<br>musical instrument with<br>the correct technique<br>within the context of a<br>song<br>To select and learn a<br>medium instrumental part<br>to play from memory or<br>using notation<br>To rehearse and perform<br>in their instrumental<br>group according to their<br>strengths and perform<br>their part with increased<br>confidence within the<br>context of a song<br>To lead a rehearsal session<br>to a whole class<br>To use the more advanced<br>methods of showing music<br>notation – musical notes<br>To know the notes C, D, E,<br>F, G, A, B + C on the treble<br>stave and where<br>appropriate, use them and<br>know where they sit on<br>the stave |



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|   |   |   | To perform a known piece         |  |
|   |   |   | fluently                         |  |
|   |   |   | To play with a good sense        |  |
|   |   |   | of rhythm and pulse              |  |
|   |   |   | To copy phrases accurately       |  |
|   |   |   | To differentiate between         |  |
|   |   |   | crochets, minims and             |  |
|   |   |   | dotted minims                    |  |
|   |   |   | To play in two parts<br>(rounds) |  |
|   |   |   | To play rhythmic phrases         |  |
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|            |  | Creating – Imp   | rovising and Composir  | ng using the interrela   | ted dimensions of mus  | sic  |  |
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| Curriculum | EYFS   | Year 1   | Year 2   | Year 3   | Year 4   | Year 5   | Year 6   |
| Strand     | ELG<br>To be confident to try<br>new activities and<br>show independence,<br>resilience and<br>perseverance in the<br>face of challenge<br>To work and play<br>cooperatively and take<br>turns with others | To listen and clap back,<br>then listen and clap their<br>own answer (rhythms of<br>words)<br>To listen and use voices or<br>instruments to sing or play<br>back an answer using a<br>limited range of notes<br>To know that<br>improvisation is about<br>making up your own tunes<br>on the spot<br>To take it in turns to<br>improvise using 1 or 2<br>notes<br>To know composing is like<br>writing a story with music<br>To help to create simple<br>melodies using one, two or<br>three notes<br>To learn how the notes of<br>a composition can be<br>written down in different<br>ways and changed if<br>necessary | To listen and clap back<br>rhythms, then listen and<br>clap back an answer.<br>To listen and use voices or<br>instruments to sing or play<br>back an answer using a<br>limited range of notes<br>To take it in turns to<br>improvise using 1 or 2<br>notes<br>To help create simple<br>melodies using a limited<br>range of notes<br>To learn how the notes of<br>a composition can be<br>written down in different<br>ways (e.g. graphic<br>notation) and changed if<br>necessary | To be able to talk about<br>improvisation and<br>recognise that<br>improvising means<br>making up a tune or<br>rhythm on the spot<br>To improvise using<br>instruments in the<br>context of the songs<br>they are learning to<br>perform<br>To listen to a provided<br>improvisation track and<br>play back their own<br>answers using a limited<br>range of notes<br>To help create at least<br>one simple melody using<br>up to 5 different notes<br>To plan and create a<br>section of music that can<br>be performed within the<br>context of a song and to<br>talk about how it was<br>created<br>To listen to and reflect<br>upon the developing<br>composition and make<br>musical decisions about<br>pulse, rhythm, pitch,<br>dynamics and tempo<br>To record compositions<br>in any way appropriate<br>that recognises the<br>connection between<br>sound and symbol (e.g.<br>graphic or pictorial<br>notation) | Guitars<br>To create simple melodic<br>patterns<br>To create melodic phrases<br>To create an ostinato<br>To be able to improvise a<br>rhythmic phrase<br>To create and play own<br>rhythmic phrases using<br>simple notation | To be able to draw upon<br>their existing musical<br>skills and knowledge<br>when improvising and<br>introduce the word "riff"<br>and what it means<br>To improvise using<br>instruments in the<br>context of the songs<br>they are learning to<br>perform paying<br>attention to the tempo,<br>rhythm and pulse<br>To listen to a provided<br>improvisation track and<br>play back their own<br>answers with greater<br>understanding<br>To improvise with a<br>feeling for selected<br>styles of music<br>To begin to use their<br>understanding of<br>improvisation to help<br>them improvise within a<br>group using melodic and<br>rhythmic phrases<br>To begin to create<br>simple melodies using<br>up to five different notes<br>and simple rhythms that<br>work musically with the<br>style of a song<br>To begin to explain the<br>keynote or home note of<br>a composition and the<br>structure of the melody<br>To begin to listen to and<br>reflect upon the<br>developing composition<br>and explore making<br>musical decisions about | To be able to draw upon<br>their existing musical skills<br>and knowledge when<br>improvising, such as using<br>known riffs and create<br>their own<br>To naturally improvise<br>using instruments in the<br>context of the songs they<br>are learning to perform<br>with greater accuracy.<br>To listen to a provided<br>improvisation track and<br>play back their own<br>answers confidently,<br>accurately and with intent<br>To improvise with a<br>feeling for various styles<br>of music<br>To use their<br>understanding of<br>improvisation to help<br>them improvise within a<br>group using more complex<br>melodic and rhythmic<br>phrases<br>To create melodies using<br>up to five different notes<br>and more complex<br>rhythms and patterns that<br>work musically with the<br>style of a song<br>To confidently explain the<br>keynote or home note of a<br>composition and the<br>structure of the melody.<br>To listen to and reflect<br>upon the developing<br>composition and use their<br>previously taught<br>knowledge to make<br>musical decisions about |



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|  |  |  | connects with the song      | with the song              |
|  |  |  | To begin to explore the     | To record the composition  |
|  |  |  | composition in any way      | using staff notation on a  |
|  |  |  | appropriate that            | stave                      |
|  |  |  | recognises the              | To know that a             |
|  |  |  | connection between          | composition has a pulse,   |
|  |  |  | sound and symbol (e.g.      | rhythm and pitch that      |
|  |  |  | graphic, pictorial or staff | work together and are      |
|  |  |  | notation)                   | shaped by tempo,           |
|  |  |  | To begin to know that a     | dynamics, texture and      |
|  |  |  | composition has a pulse,    | structure and to use and   |
|  |  |  | rhythm and pitch that       | explain this understanding |
|  |  |  | work together and are       | to support their           |
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|                      |  |   | Listenin  | g and Appraising   |   |   |  |
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| Curriculum           | EYFS   | Year 1  | Year 2  | Year 3   | Year 4  | Year 5  | Year 6   |
| Curriculum<br>Strand | EYFS<br>ELG<br>To listen attentively<br>and respond to what<br>they hear with relevant<br>questions, comments<br>and actions | Year 1<br>To start to develop aural<br>memory by knowing some<br>songs off by heart<br>To begin to learn how they<br>can enjoy moving to music<br>by dancing, marching, or<br>through role play by<br>following a leader<br>To recognise and describe<br>the sounds of some of the<br>instruments they use<br>To recognise and respond<br>to a steady pulse<br>To start to understand<br>how rhythms are created<br>and recognise simple<br>rhythmic patterns | Year 2<br>To start to develop aural<br>memory by knowing more<br>complex songs off by<br>heart<br>To learn how they can<br>enjoy moving to music by<br>dancing, marching, or<br>through role play<br>independently<br>To recognise that songs<br>have a musical style and<br>learn how songs can tell a<br>story or describe an idea<br>To respond to and<br>describe features of pulse<br>(beat), rhythm (patterns<br>created by notes or<br>words) and pitch (high or<br>low sounds) in a range of<br>pieces<br>To demonstrate an<br>understanding that pulse<br>and rhythm are different | Year 3<br>To know songs from<br>memory, who wrote<br>them and identify the<br>style<br>To confidently identify<br>and move to a pulse<br>To begin to think about<br>the meaning of a song's<br>lyrics and identify the<br>main sections of a song<br>(verse, chorusetc.)<br>To discuss how a song or<br>instrumental piece<br>makes them feel<br>To listen carefully and<br>respectfully to other<br>people's thoughts about<br>a piece of music<br>To listen with attention<br>to detail and start to<br>discuss any musical<br>dimensions featured in a<br>song or instrumental<br>piece (particularly<br>texture, dynamics,<br>tempo, rhythm and<br>pitch)<br>To begin to name some<br>of the instruments they<br>hear in songs or<br>instrumental pieces | Year 4<br>Guitars<br>To identify walking and<br>jogging rhythms<br>To identify changes in<br>pitch<br>To identify whether a<br>melody moves in skip or<br>step<br>To explore Reggae music | Year 5To know songs from<br>memory, who sang or<br>wrote them, to explore<br>when they were written<br>and, if possible, why<br>To identify and move to<br>the pulse in a variety of<br>ways<br>To think about the<br>message of songs<br>To be able to identify<br>some of the style<br>indicators of songs<br>(musical characteristics<br>that give a song its style)<br>To compare two songs in<br>the same style<br>discussing their<br>similarities and<br>differences<br>To talk about music and<br>say how it makes them<br>feel, using musical<br>vocabulary to describe<br>the music on the Year 5<br>list<br>To listen carefully and<br>respectfully to other<br>people's thoughts about<br>a piece of music<br>To name some of the<br>instruments they hear in<br>songs and instrumental<br>pieces<br>To understand and<br>discuss the historical<br>context of songs or<br>instrumental pieces and<br>identify what else was<br>going on at the time<br>To talk about the | Year 6<br>To know songs from<br>memory, who sang or<br>wrote them, when they<br>were written and to<br>confidently explain why<br>and make connections<br>between known songs<br>To confidently identify and<br>move to the pulse with<br>ease in a variety of ways<br>To infer the messages in<br>songs through deeper<br>group discussions and<br>making connections<br>between songs<br>To be able to identify a<br>wider range of the style<br>indicators of songs using<br>the correct musical<br>terminology<br>To compare two songs in<br>the same style talking<br>about what stands out<br>musically in each of them<br>with increased detail with<br>greater ease and<br>confidence<br>To talk about music and<br>how it makes them feel,<br>using musical vocabulary<br>to describe the music on<br>the Year 6 list<br>To listen carefully and<br>respectfully to other<br>people's thoughts about a<br>piece of music and to<br>understand an individual's<br>choice<br>To name, with greater<br>accuracy, some of the<br>instruments they hear in |



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|  |  |  | instrumental pieces or  | To understand and discuss  |
|  |  |  | songs (pulse, rhythm,   | the historical context of  |
|  |  |  | pitch, tempo, dynamics, | songs or instrumental      |
|  |  |  | texture and structure)  | pieces and identify what   |
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|  |  |  |                         | To know and talk about     |
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