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At Deepcar St. John's C of E Junior School, children gain a firm understanding of what music is through listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing and composing across a wide variety of historical periods, styles, traditions, and musical genres.

Intent

We follow the Kapow Primary's Music scheme of work, which aims to first and foremost help children to feel that they are musical and to develop a life-long love of music. There is a focus on developing the skills, knowledge and understanding that children need to become confident performers, composers, and listeners. Our curriculum introduces children to music from all around the world and across generations, teaching children to respect and appreciate the music of all traditions and communities. Through our scheme of work, we aim to ensure that all pupils:

- Receive high quality first teaching in order to develop their own knowledge, skill and capability.
- Understand and are able to explore how music is created, produced and communicated.
- Reflect on their own and each other's performances, aiming to develop their evaluation skills.
- Are taught to sing, create and compose a wide variety of music genres.
- Understand the value and importance of music in the wider community.
- Understand the value and importance of singing as part of collective worship as a whole school together.
- Create an unbiased respect for all genres of music and how music can express different emotions.

Strands	1	Performing
	2	Listening
	3	Composing
	4	The History of Music
	5	The inter-related dimentions of music

Implementation

The music scheme takes a holistic approach to music, in which the individual strands listed above are woven together to create engaging and enriching learning experiences. Each unit of work combines these strands within a cross-curricular topic designed to capture pupil's imagination and encourage them to explore music enthusiastically. Children are taught how to sing fluently and expressively, and play tuned and untuned instruments accurately and with control. They will learn to recognise and name the interrelated dimensions of music – pitch, duration, tempo, structure, texture and dynamics – and use these expressively in their own improvisations and compositions.

In addition, the scheme also follows the spiral curriculum model, where previous skills and knowledge are returned to and built upon. Children progress in terms of tackling more complex tasks and doing more simple tasks better, as well as developing understanding and knowledge of the history of music, staff, and other musical notations, as well as the interrelated dimensions of music and more.

In each lesson, pupils will actively participate in musical activities drawn from a range of styles and traditions, developing their musical skills and their understanding of how music works. Lessons incorporate a range of teaching strategies from independent tasks, paired and group work as well as improvisation and teacher-led performances. Lessons are 'hands-on' and incorporate movement and dance elements, as well as making cross curricular links with other areas of learning.

Differentiated guidance is available for every lesson to ensure that lessons can be accessed by all pupils and opportunities to stretch pupils' learning are available when required. Knowledge organisers for each unit support pupils in building a foundation of factual knowledge by encouraging recall of key facts and vocabulary.

Teachers have access to multiple videos in order to develop their subject knowledge and support on going professional development.

Music lessons are taught weekly in each year group. There are a wide range of musical instruments, both tuned and untuned. These include some multi-cultural instruments as well as electronic keyboards. There is a full class set of soprano glockenspiels. These are all stored in a central location on the edge of the dining room. There are also 2 pianos in school: one in a Year 4 classroom and the other in the hall. During daily Collective Worship, children are given the opportunity to listen to and appreciate a variety of music from a range of different composers and cultures. They also sing a variety of songs, mainly from the 'Out of the Arc' series. Some of these include 3-part singing. Some singing is accompanied by the piano. Children are given the opportunity to learn either the electric guitar, keyboard or drums as well as singing as part of Rock Steady Music. This gives children the opportunity to be part of a rock band during weekly lessons. These sessions are offered on top our music curriculum and are signed up for and paid for by parents/carers. There is also a choir after school which is open to all children.

Impact

The impact of the music scheme can be constantly monitored through both formative and summative assessment opportunities. Each lesson includes guidance to support teachers in assessing pupils against the learning objectives and at the end of the unit there is often a performance element where teachers can make a summative assessment of pupils' learning. Knowledge organisers for each unit support pupils by providing a highly visual record of the key learning from the unit, encouraging recall of practical skills, key knowledge and vocabulary. Pupils should leave Deepcar St. John's equipped with a range of skills to enable them to succeed in their secondary education and to be able to enjoy and appreciate music throughout their lives.

The expected impact of the Music curriculum is that children will:

- Be confident performers, composers and listeners and will be able to express themselves musically at and beyond school.
- Show an appreciation and respect for a wide range of musical styles from around the world and will understand how music is influenced by the wider cultural, social, and historical contexts in which it is developed.
- Understand the ways in which music can be written down to support performing and composing activities.
- Demonstrate and articulate an enthusiasm for music and be able to identify their own personal musical preference.
- Meet the end of key stage expectations outlined in the national curriculum for Music.

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Key stage 2

Pupils should be taught to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control. They should develop an understanding of musical composition, organising and manipulating ideas within musical structures and reproducing sounds from aural memory.

Pupils should be taught to:

- 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.

Overview of learning

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Year 3	Catch up Unit 1 (Performing and composing based on African music and 'On this island': British songs and sounds.)		Catch up unit 2 (Basic elements of music based on a Space theme and Myths and legends.)		Creating compositions in response to an animation: Theme - Mountains		
Year 4	Body & tuned percussion: Theme - Rainforests		Catch up unit 2: (Singing, performing and composing based on Viking songs and pentatonic scales.)		Rock and Roll		
Year 5	Catch up Unit 1 (Traditional Indian music and instruments, Rock and Roll.)		Catch up unit 2 (Pitch, tempo and dynamics – Rivers: Adapting and transposing – Romans.)		Composition to represent the festival of colour: Theme – Holi festival		
Year 6		p Unit 2: the Blues, rican drumming)	Dynamics, pit Theme - Fin		Theme and Theme -		

Subject progression



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- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory
- appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	

*Discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary (Indian, classical, Chinese, Battle Songs, Ballads, Jazz).

Understanding that music from different parts of the world has different features.

*Recognising and explaining the changes within a piece of music using musical vocabulary.

Describing the timbre, dynamic, and textural details of a piece of music, both verbally, and through movement.

Beginning to show an awareness of metre.

*Beginning to use musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) when discussing improvements to their own and others' work.

Recognising the use and development of motifs in music.

*Identifying gradual dynamic and tempo changes within a piece of music.

Recognising and discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary (Samba, Rock and Roll).

Identifying common features between different genres, styles and traditions of music.

*Recognising, naming and explaining the effect of the interrelated dimensions of music.

*Identifying scaled dynamics (crescendo/decrescendo) within a piece of music.

*Using musical vocabulary to discuss the purpose of a piece of music.

*Using musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) when discussing improvements to their own and others' work. *Recognising and confidently discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary. (South African, West African, Musical, Theatre, Blues, Dance Remix.).

*Representing the features of a piece of music using graphic notation, and colours, justifying their choices with reference to musical vocabulary.

*Comparing, discussing and evaluating music using detailed musical vocabulary.

*Developing confidence in using detailed musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own and others' work.

Discussing musical eras in context, identifying how they have influenced each other, and discussing the impact of different composers on the development of musical styles.

Recognising and confidently discussing the stylistic features of music and relating it to other aspects of the Arts (Popart, Film music).

*Representing changes in pitch, dynamics and texture using graphic notation, justifying their choices with reference to musical vocabulary.

Identifying the way that features of a song can complement one another to create a coherent overall effect.

*Use musical vocabulary correctly when describing and evaluating the features of a piece of music.

Evaluating how the venue, occasion and purpose affects the way a piece of music sounds.

*Confidently using detailed musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own and others work.

*Also form part of the 'Interrelated dimensions of music' strand.

Composing

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- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music
- use and understand staff and other musical notations

Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

Composing a piece of music in a given style with voices and instruments (Battle Song, Indian Classical, Jazz, Swing).

Combining melodies and rhythms to compose a multilayered composition in a given style (pentatonic).

*Using letter name and rhythmic notation (graphic or staff), and key musical vocabulary to label and record their compositions.

*Suggesting and implementing improvements to their own work, using musical vocabulary.

Composing a coherent piece of music in a given style with voices, bodies and instruments.

Beginning to improvise musically within a given style.

Developing melodies using rhythmic variation, transposition, inversion, and looping.

*Creating a piece of music with at least four different layers and a clear structure.

*Using letter name, graphic and rhythmic notation and key musical vocabulary to label and record their compositions.

*Suggesting improvements to others' work, using musical vocabulary.

Composing a detailed piece of music from a given stimulus with voices, bodies and instruments (Remix, Colours, Stories, Drama).

Improvising coherently within a given style.

*Combining rhythmic patterns (ostinato) into a multi-layered composition using all the interrelated dimensions of music to add musical interest.

Using staff notation to record rhythms and melodies.

*Selecting, discussing and refining musical choices both alone and with others, using musical vocabulary with confidence.

Suggesting and demonstrating improvements to own and others' work.

Improvising coherently and creatively within a given style, incorporating given features.

Composing a multi-layered piece of music from a given stimulus with voices, bodies and Instruments.

Composing an original song, incorporating lyric writing, melody writing and the composition of accompanying features, within a given structure.

*Developing melodies using rhythmic variation, transposition and changes in dynamics, pitch and texture.

Recording own composition using appropriate forms of notation and/or technology and incorporating.

*Constructively critique their own and others' work, using musical vocabulary.

*Also form part of the 'Inter-related dimensions of music' strand.

Performing

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- use and understand staff and other musical notations
- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression

Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

Singing songs in a variety of musical styles with accuracy and control, demonstrating developing vocal technique.

Singing and playing in time with peers, with some degree of accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance.

*Performing from basic staff notation, incorporating rhythm and pitch and being able to identify these symbols using musical terminology.

*Also form part of the 'Inter-related dimensions of music' strand.

*Singing longer songs in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, control, fluency and a developing sense of expression including control of subtle dynamic changes.

Singing and playing in time with peers with accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance.

Playing melody parts on tuned instruments with accuracy and control and developing instrumental technique.

Playing syncopated rhythms with accuracy, control and fluency.

Singing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression.

*Working 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.

Performing with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation.

Playing a simple chord progression with accuracy and fluency.

Singing songs in two or more secure parts from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression.

*Working as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting the interrelated dimensions of music as required, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group.

Performing a solo or taking a leadership role within a performance.

Performing with accuracy and fluency from graphic and staff notation and from their own notation.

Performing by following a conductor's cues and directions.



History of music

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- 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

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Understanding that music from different times has different features. (Also part of the Listening strand) *Also form part of the 'Inter-related dimensions	Recognising and discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary. (Also part of the Listening strand)	*Confidently discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music and explaining how these have developed over time. (Also part of the Listening strand)	*Discussing musical eras in context, identifying how they have influenced each other, and discussing the impact of different composers on the development of musical styles. (Also part of the Listening strand)
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improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

Pitch	To know that the group of pitches in a song is called its 'key' and that a key decides whether a song sounds happy or sad. To know that some traditional music around the world is based on five-notes called a 'pentatonic' scale. To understand that a pentatonic melody uses only the five notes C D E G A.	To know that a bass line is the lowest pitch line of notes in a piece of music, and a walking bassline (where patterns of notes go up then down again) is common in rock and roll. To know that a glissando in music means a sliding effect played on instruments or made by your voice. To know that 'transposing' a melody means changing its key, making it higher or lower pitched.	To understand that a minor key (pitch) can be used to make music sound sad. To understand that major chords create a bright, happy sound. To know that a 'bent note' is a note that varies in its pitch, eg the pitch may slide up or down. To understand that varying effects can be created using only your voice, for example by changing the pitch, dynamic or tempo of the sounds made.	To know that the Solfa syllables represent the pitches in an octave. To understand that 'major' key signatures use note pitches that sound cheerful and upbeat. To understand that 'minor' key signatures use note pitches that can suggest sadness and tension. To know that a melody can be adapted by changing its pitch.
Duration	To know that different notes have different durations, and that crotchets are worth one whole beat. To know that written music tells you how long to play a note for.	To know that combining different instruments playing different rhythms creates layers of sound called 'texture'. To know that playing 'in time' requires playing the notes for the correct duration as well as at the correct speed. To know that a motif in music can be a repeated rhythm.	To know that 'poly-rhythms' means many different rhythms played at once. To 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.	To understand that all types of music notation show note duration, including the Kodaly method which uses syllables to indicate rhythms. To understand that representing beats of silence or 'rests' in written music is important as it helps us play rhythms correctly. To know that a quaver is worth half a beat.
Dynamics	To know that the word 'crescendo' means a sound getting gradually louder.	To know that changing the dynamics of a musical phrase or motif can change the texture of a piece of music	To understand that varying effects can be created using only your voice, for example by changing the pitch, dynamic or tempo of the sounds made	To know that a melody can be adapted by changing its dynamics
Tempo		To know that playing in time means all performers playing together at the same speed.	To understand that a slow tempo can be used to make music sound sad. To understand that varying effects can be created using only your voice, for example by changing the pitch, dynamic or tempo of the sounds made.	To know that a melody can be adapted by changing its dynamics, pitch or tempo.
Timbre	To understand that the timbre of instruments played affect the mood and style of a piece of music.	To know that grouping instruments according to their timbre can create contrasting 'textures' in music. To understand that both instruments and voices can create audio effects that describe something you can see.	To understand that human voices have their own individual timbre, and that this can be adapted by using the voice in different ways.	To know that timbre can also be thought of as 'tone colour' and can be described in many ways eg warm or cold, rich or bright.

Texture	To know that many types of music from around the world consist of more than one layer of sound; for example a 'tala' and 'rag' in traditional Indian music.	To know that combining different instruments and different rhythms when we compose can create layers of sound we call 'texture'. To understand that harmony means playing two notes at the same time, which usually sound good together.	To understand that a chord is the layering of several pitches played at the same time. To know that poly-rhythms means many rhythms played at once.	To understand that texture can be created by adding or removing instruments in a piece and can create the effect of dynamic change. To know that a countermelody is different to harmony because it uses a different rhythm as well as complementary notes.
Structure	To know that in a ballad, a 'stanza' means a verse. To know that music from different places often has different structural features, eg traditional Chinese music is based on the five-note pentatonic scale.	To know that deciding the structure of music when composing can help us create interesting music with contrasting sections An ostinato is a musical pattern that is repeated over and over; a vocal ostinato is a pattern created with your voice. To understand that musical motifs (repeating patterns) are used as a building block in many well-known pieces of music	To know that a loop is a repeated rhythm or melody, and is another word for ostinato. To know that 12-bar Blues is a sequence of 12 bars of music, made up of three different chords.	To know that a chord progression is a sequence of chords that repeats throughout a song. To know that a 'theme' in music is the main melody and that 'variations' are when this melody has been changed in some way
Notation	To understand that 'reading' music means using how the written note symbols look and their position to know what notes to play.	To know that 'performance directions' are words added to music notation to tell the performers how to play.	To know that simple pictures can be used to represent the structure (organisation) of music. To understand that in written staff notation, notes can go on or between lines, and that the lines show the pitch of the note.	To know that 'graphic notation' means writing music down using your choice of pictures or symbols but 'staff notation' means music written more formally on the special lines called 'staves'. To know that chord progressions are represented in music by Roman numerals
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Catch up unit 1

African call and response song

actions, backing
track, beat, call and
response,
composition, copy,
dynamics, instrument,
in time, performance,
represent, rhythm,
rhythmic notation,
Sequence, sound,
structure, tempo,
timbre, vary, volume

On this island: British songs and sounds

accurately, body
percussion, compose,
composition, duration,
dynamics, folk song,
inspired, inspiration,
inter-related
dimensions of music,
layered effect, lyrics,
performing, pitch,
representing,
soundscape,
structure, tempo,
texture, timbre, voice
percussion

Body and tuned percussion: Theme – Rainforests

body percussion, combine, compose, contrasting rhythms, dynamics, inspiration, layers, loop, organisation, repeated melodies, melody line, pitch, record, rhythm, sections, structure, tempo, texture, tune, tuned percussion

Catch up unit 1

Traditional Indian music and instruments

Bollywood, compose, drone, dynamics, harmonium, improvise, Indian flute, lyrics, melodic line, notation, opinion, pitch, repeated rhythm, rhythm, rag, sarangi, sitar, tabla, tala, tempo

Rock and Roll

bass line, beat, chorus, dynamics, flat notes, hand jive, in-time, intune, notation, originate, pitch, rhythm, rhythmic patterns, rock and roll, sections, sequence, sharp notes, style, tempo, untuned percussion, verse, vocals, walking bass line

Catch up unit 2

History of the blues, improvisation

12-bar blues, ascending scale, backing track, bar, bent notes, blues, blues scale, chord, convey, descending scale, expression, features, flat, improvisation, lyrics, pitch, quavers, scale, sharp, solo, staff notation

African drumming

acapella, break, call and response, chords, chord progression, diction, djembe, duo, dynamics, eight-beat break, ensemble, expression, improvisation, major chord, master drummer, metronome, performance, polyrhythms, pronunciation, pulse, ostinato, rests, rhythm, soloist, syncopation, tempo, tuned percussion, unaccompanied, vocals

Catch up unit 2

Space

accuracy, arrange, atmosphere, brass, compare, composer, contrast, dynamics, effect, emotion, improvise, inspiration, interpretation, mood, motif, notate, orchestra, percussion, rhythm, sequence, soundscape, strings, symbols, timbre, visual interpretation, woodwind

beat, bow, cello, chorus, compose, composition, dynamics, graphic score, harpsichord, instrumental, layers, melody, notation, performance, pluck, pitch, represent, rhythm, stave notation, structure, tempo, texture, thick, thin, timbre, verse, violin, viola

Catch up unit 2

Developing singing technique (Theme: The Vikings)

accuracy, backing track, beat, body percussion, call and response, coordinated, crotchet, discipline, duration, dynamics, in-time, intune, layer, lyrics, key change, major key, minim, minor key, notation, part, pulse, quaver, rehearse, rhythm, rhythmic notation, sound effects, stave notation, tempo, tension, tune, vocal warm-up

Catch up unit 2

Pitch, tempo and dynamics – Rivers

acapella, breath control, cue, diction, directing, dynamics, expression, harmony line, layer, melody, mood, notation, opinion, ostinato, percussion, in the round, parts, rhythm, staff notation, tempo, texture, vocal ostinato

Adapting and transporting – Romans

backing track, bass line, beat, call and response, compose, crotchet, dotted minim, flats, graphic notation, in-time, in-tune, key, key signature, loop, lyrics, minim, motif, notation, ostinato, pitch, quavers, repeating patterns, repetition, rhythm, rhythmic notation, riff, semibreve, sharps, tempo, transpose, tuned instrument, vocal warm-ups

Dynamics, pitch and texture: Theme Fingal's Cave

classical, characterise, composition, conductor, depict, dynamics, ensemble, graphic score, improvisation, notation, orchestra, pitch, texture

Creating compositions in response to an animation (Mountains)

atmosphere,
compose,
composition,
dynamics, ensemble,
influence, in-time,
layers, letter notation,
melodic pattern,
melody, opinion,
notation, pitch,
repeated rhythm,
represent, sound
effect, soundscape,
story, tempo, timbre,
tuned percussion,
untuned percussion

Rock and Roll

bass line, beat, chorus, dynamics, flat notes, hand jive, in-time, in-tune, notation, originate, pitch, rhythm, rhythmic patterns, rock and roll, sections, sequence, sharp notes, style, tempo, untuned percussion, verse, vocals, walking bass line

Composition to represent the festival of Holi

dynamics, graphic score, inspiration, layering, mood, pitch, represent, soundtrack, synesthesia, tempo, texture, timbre, visual representation, vocal sounds

Theme and variations Theme – Pop art

3/4 time, 4/4 time, accidentals, body percussion, diaphragm, legato, motif, orchestra, percussion, phrases, pitch, pizzicato, pulse, quaver, rhythm, rhythmic elements, section, semiquaver, staccato, tempo, theme, TIKI-TIKI, TI-TIKI, TIKI-TI, translate, variations, vocal line, woodwind