

Music

Curriculum Plan



At Northwood Primary School, to support with the provision of Music, we use Charanga as a scheme. This scheme meets all statutory curricular requirements of the National Curriculum and is recognised by Ofsted. The philosophy of this curriculum is based on the principle that it should be fun and engaging for all involved.

How the Curriculum is Structured:

Each unit of work comprises of the strands of musical learning which correspond with the national curriculum for music:

1. Listening and Appraising
2. Musical Activities
 - a. Warm-up games
 - b. Optional flexible games
 - c. Singing
 - d. Playing instruments
 - e. Improvisation
 - f. Composition
3. Performing

To allow for mastery in music, units of work enable children to understand musical concepts through a repetition-based approach. Alongside the singing aspect of the curriculum, children have opportunities to develop their ability with musical instruments through playing glockenspiels. All learning is built around the interrelated dimensions of music: pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, structure and notation. These dimensions are all at the centre of learning and taught through a range of nursery rhymes, and songs.

Long Term Overview:

Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Rec	Me!	My Stories	Everyone!	Our World	Big Bear Funk	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 1	Hey You!	Rhythm In The Way We Walk & Banana Rap	In The Groove	Round & Round	Your Imagination	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 2	Hands, Feet, Heart	Ho, Ho, Ho!	I Wanna Play in A Band	Zootime	Friendship Song	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 3	Let Your Spirit Fly	Glockenspiel Stage 1	Three Little Birds	The Dragon Song	Bringing Us Together	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 4	Mamma Mia	Glockenspiel Stage 2	Stop!	Lean on Me	Blackbird	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 5	Livin' On A Prayer	Classroom Jazz 1	Make You Feel My Love	The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Dancing In The Street	Reflect, Rewind & Replay
Year 6	Happy!	Classroom Jazz 2	A New Year Carol	You've Got A Friend	Music & Me	Reflect, Rewind & Replay

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Musical Progression

The musical progression through KS1 & KS2 is demonstrated in the diagrams below. Instrumental work is adapted to allow children to move through the relevant parts as they need to.

Key Stage 1

Units of Work			Differentiated Instrumental Progression						Progression for Improvisation			Progression for Composition			
Year	Term	Unit Title	Key	Easy note range (concert)	Medium note range (concert)	Melody note range (concert)	Easy note values	Medium note values	Melody note values	Easy	Medium	More difficult	Easy	Medium	More difficult
1	Autumn 1	Hey You!	C	C	C,G	C,G	Crotchets	Crotchets	Semi-quavers, Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
1	Autumn 2	Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap	C	Singing and performing only						Singing and performing only			Singing and performing only		
1	Spring 1	In The Groove	C	C,D	C,D	C,G,A,C	Crotchets	Crotchets	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
1	Spring 2	Round And Round	D Minor	C,D,F	D,E,F,G,A	D,E,F,G,A,B	Semibreves	Crotchets and Minims	Crotchets, Minims and Quavers	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A	Not applicable		
1	Summer 1	Your Imagination	C	G	C E G	E G A	Semibreves	Crotchets, Minims and Semibreves	Crotchets, Quavers, Minims and Semibreves	C,D using instruments and/or clap and sing			C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,G,A
1	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision						Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision			
2	Autumn 1	Hands, Feet, Heart	C	G,A,C	G,A,B,C	F,G,A,B,C	Crotchets	Minims	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
2	Autumn 2	Ho Ho Ho	G	C,E,G	B,A,G	N/a	Crotchets and rests	Crotchets and rests	Not applicable	Not applicable			Not applicable		
2	Spring 1	I Wanna Play In A Band	F	C,D	C,F,G	C,D,F	Minims	Minims	Quavers and Crotchets	F,G	F,G,A	F,G,A,C,D	F,G	F,G,A	F,G,A,C,D
2	Spring 2	Zootime	C	C,D	C,D	C,D	Crotchets	Crotchets	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
2	Summer 1	Friendship Song	C	G,E	E,G,A,B	C,D,E,F,G,A,B	Crotchet, Dotted Minim and Rests	Crotchets and Rests	Crotchets, Quavers, Minims	C	C,D	C,D	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,G,A
2	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision						Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision			

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Key Stage 2

Units of Work			Differentiated Instrumental Progression						Progression for Improvisation			Progression for Composition			
Year	Term	Unit Title	Key	Easy note range (concert)	Medium note range (concert)	Melody note range (concert)	Easy note values	Medium note values	Melody note values	Easy	Medium	More difficult	Easy	Medium	More difficult
3	Autumn 1	Let Your Spirit Fly	C	C,F,C	E,F,G,A,B,C	N/a	Semibreves and rests	Minims and rests	Not applicable	Not applicable			Not applicable		
3	Autumn 2	Glockenspiel 1	Multiple songs	C,D,E,F	C,D,E,F	C,D,E,F	Crotchets and Minims and rests	N/a	N/a	C, D	C, D	N/a	C,D,E,F	C,D,E,F	N/a
3	Spring 1	Three Little Birds	G	G	B,C	G,A,B,C,D,E,F	Crotchets and rests	Crotchets and rests	Quavers, Crotchets, Minims and rests	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,D,E	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,D,E
3	Spring 2	The Dragon Song	G	G	G,A,B	B,C,D,E,F,G	Crotchets and Minims	Crotchets and Minims	N/a	C	C,D	C,D,E	G,A	G,A,B	D,E,G,A,B
3	Summer 1	Bringing Us Together	C	C	G,A,C	G,A,C	Minims and Minim rests	Minims, Crotchet rests and Quavers	Crotchets and rests, Quavers, Dotted Quavers	C	C sometimes A	C and A	C,A	C,A,G	C,D,E,G,A
3	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision						Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision			
4	Autumn 1	Mamma Mia	G	G	G,A	G,A,B,C	Crotchets	Crotchets	Quavers, Crotchets	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,D,E	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,D,E
4	Autumn 2	Glockenspiel 2	Multiple songs	C,D,E,F,G	C,D,E,F,G	C,D,E,F,G	Semibreves and rests	Crotchets, Minims and rests	Quavers, Crotchets, Minims, Semibreves and rests	N/a	N/a	N/a	C,D,E	C,D,E	C,D,E
4	Spring 1	Stop!	Singing, rapping and lyric composition						Singing, rapping and lyric composition			Singing, rapping and lyric composition			
4	Spring 2	Lean On Me	C	C,F	E,F,G	G,A,B,C,D	Crotchets	Minims	Quavers, Crotchets, Dotted Crotchets and Minims	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
4	Summer 1	Blackbird	C	D,C	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	Dotted Minims, Minims, Semibreves	Crotchets, Semibreves, Minims	N/A	C	C,D	C,D,E	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,G,A
4	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision						Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision			

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