Skills are continually revisited and built upon	Foundation Stage	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Singing songs with control and using the voice expressively (pitch and dynamics)	Sing a range of songs and nursery rhymes with growing confidence Begin to sing with control - encourage projecting voice NOT shouting Internalise songs - Heads, shoulders etc	To find their singing voice and use their voices confidently Sing a melody accurately at an appropriate pitch Sing with an awareness of pulse and control of rhythm Sing songs with expression Follow pitch movements with their hands and use high, middle and low voices. Internalise songs by singing part of a song 'in their heads' Sing with an awareness of other performers	Sing with confidence and expression using a wider vocal range Sing in tune Sing with an awareness of pulse and control of rhythm Recognise phrase lengths and know when to breathe Sing with awareness and control of the expressive elements eg. Timbre, tempo and dynamics Sing songs and create different vocal effects Understand how mouth shapes can affect vocal sounds	Sing songs with increasing control of breathing and sound projection Sing songs in tune and with an awareness of other parts Identify phrases by breathing in appropriate places Sing with expression and rehearse with others Sing rounds and songs in 2 or more parts Sing confidently as a class, in small groups and alone and begin to have an awareness of improvisation with the voice Develop an understanding of musical terms eg. Crescendo, diminuendo, forte, pianissimo etc
	voice and correct posture			→
Listening, memory and movement	Listen and respond to elements of music through movement - fast/slow, loud/quiet Use of environmental sounds/recordings to encour- age and develop good listening skills Identify and match instruments by sound	Recall and remember short songs and sequences and patterns of sounds Respond physically when performing, composing and appraising music Explore and choose different movements to describe animals Identify different sound sources	Identify melodic phrases and play them by ear (with a limited, but increasing, range of notes) Create sequences of movement in response to sounds Identify phrases that could be used as an I introduction, interlude or ending	Internalise short melodies and play these on pitched percussion (play by ear) - increasing range Identify different moods and textures within a piece of music Identify how a mood is created by music and lyrics Listen to longer pieces of music and identify features
Controlling pulse and rhythm (duration)	Move to the pulse of music - marching etc Clap/play pulse to accompany songs Use syllables (food, animals, names) to introduce simple rhythm patterns Copy simple rhythm patterns—clap/play	Identify the pulse in different pieces of music Identify the pulse and join in getting faster and slower together Identify long and short sounds in music Perform a short rhythm to a given pulse Begin to internalise and create rhythmic patterns Accompany a chant or song by clapping or playing the pulse or rhythm	Recognise rhythmic patterns of increasing complexity Perform a repeated pattern to a steady pulse Identify and recall rhythmic and melodic patterns Sustain a simple rhythm in a group, whilst other rhythms are being played Identify repeated patterns used in a variety of music (ostinato)	Identify different speeds of pulse (Tempo) through clapping, playing and movement Improvise rhythm patterns Perform an independent part keeping to a steady beat Identify the metre of different songs through recognising the pattern of strong and weak beats Subdivide the pulse while keeping to a steady beat
Exploring sounds, melody and accompaniment (to include vocal sounds and body percussion)	Begin to recognise and name classroom instruments Introduce elements of pitch (high/low) and respond through movement Explore vocal sounds and body percussion (loud/ quiet, high/low etc)	Explore different sound sources Identify and name different classroom instruments Create and choose sounds in response to a given stimulus Identify how sounds can be changed Change sounds to reflect a given stimulus	Identify ways sounds can be used to accompany a song Analyse and comment on how sounds are used to create different moods Explore and perform different types of accompaniment Recognise and explore different combinations of	Explore and select different melodic patterns Skills development for this element can be found in 'Control of Instruments' and 'Composition'
Structure and form	Verse and chorus Question and answer	Verse and chorus Question and answer	Ostinato Binary form (A B)	Rondo (A B A C A D A) Canon (Round) Ternary form (A B A)

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Control of instruments (texture and timbre)	Handle and play instruments with care and increasing control Investigate how sounds are made and sort instruments accordingly (tap, shake, scrape) Start and stop playing on a given signal	Play instruments in different ways to create sound effects Handle and play instruments with care and control - changing dynamics, tempo etc on a given signal Identify different groups of instruments	Identify melodic phrases and play them by ear (limited range of notes) Select instruments to describe visual images Create different effects using combinations of unpitched percussion Begin to use ICT to create sounds	Identify and control different ways percussion instruments make sounds Play accompaniments with control and accuracy Create different effects using combinations of pitched sounds, and chords Use ICT to create and manipulate sounds
Composition	Use sound to accompany story Begin to use picture symbols (Teacher lead) to create a class composition	Contribute to the creation of a class composition Basic skills progression for composition in KS1 are to be found within 'Exploring sounds'	Create textures by combining sounds in different ways Create music that describes contrasting moods and emotions Improvise basic tunes based on the pentatonic scale Compose music in pairs and small groups, based on a variety of starting points (picture, story, rhythm and pitch) Make improvements to their own work Create an accompaniment to a known song or piece of music	Identify and use a range of starting points to com- pose music, including poetry, story, film, class topic, photographs etc Explore, select, combine and edit a range of different sounds to compose a soundscape Write lyrics to a known song or melody Compose a short song to own lyrics based on everyday phrases Compose music individually, in pairs and small groups using a range of stimuli and develop their ideas into a completed composition
Reading and writing notation	Use of simple picture and symbol to direct play and order sounds (graphic notation)	Perform contrasting sounds (long/short, loud/quiet, fast/slow, smooth/jumpy) in response to symbols Begin to play and sing phrases from simple dot notation Use symbols (graphic notation) and simple dot notation to record their own ideas Make their own symbols as part of a class score Introduce the relative values of minim, crochet and quaver	Begin to understand the placement of pitch on a stave by introducing 2 then 3 line 'tunes' Use limited number of lines to write music and play pitched instruments Read and write rhythms using minim, crochet and quaver Introduce dotted minim, semibreve and crochet rests Continue to develop use of graphic notation when composing and listening to music	Begin to use full stave for reading and recording music Read and write rhythms using minim, crochet, quaver, dotted minim, semibreve and crochet rest Introduce semiquaver Begin to sing songs with staff notation as a support
Performance skills	Perform both in class and to a wider audience with growing confidence	Perform together and follow instructions that combine the musical elements covered Perform with confidence	Perform confidently with an awareness of different parts	Present performances effectively and confidently with an awareness of audience, venue and occasion
Evaluating and appraising	Begin to choose instruments with growing independence in response to a given stimulus Be able to say whether they like a piece of music or not and how it makes them feel	Choose sounds and instruments carefully and make improvements to their own work Be able to express why they like a particular piece of music and how it makes them feel	Be able to discuss their likes and dislikes in relation to a piece of music Be able to discuss the musical elements used within their own and others compositions Suggest ways in which a piece of music could be improved	Recognise how music can reflect different intentions Improve their work through analysis, evaluation and comparison Be able to recognise musical elements (structure, dynamics etc) and suggest reasons why this is used within a particular piece of music Compare and contrast different pieces of music