Year Group	Singing	Listening	Composing	Musicianship Pulse/beat Rhythm Pitch	Performing	School drivers Possibilities Diversity Environment
Nursery End of N	ear Expectations					
Communication and language	Sing a large repertoire o	f songs.				
Physical Development	Use large muscle moven	nents to wave flags and	streamers, paint an	d make marks.		
Expressive Arts	Show attention to sound	ls and music.				
and design	Respond emotionally an	d physically to music wh	nen it changes.			
	Move and dance to mus	c.				
	Anticipate phrases and a	•	ongs, like 'Peepo'.			
	Explore their voices and	• • •				
	Join in with songs and rh		unds.			
	Make rhythmical and rep					
	Explore a range of sound		• •	different ways. Enjoy ar	nd take part in	
	action songs, such as 'Tv		ır'.			
	Listen with increased att		and a share and for	. P		
	Respond to what they ha		heir thoughts and te	elings.		
	Remember and sing enti	-	('nitch match')			
	Sing the pitch of a tone s Sing the melodic shape (n and un) of familiar cou	200	
	Create their own songs of			ii anu upj or ianniar sor	ligs.	
	Play instruments with in		•	d ideas		
Nursery term 1	Anticipate phrases and	Show attention to	Explore their	Move and dance to		Selection of rhymes
	actions in rhymes and	sounds and music.	voices and enjoy	music.		and music from
	songs, like 'Peepo'.		making sounds.			different cultures
		Respond	U U			Environmental sounds
	Enjoy and take part in	emotionally and				
	action songs, such as	physically to music				
	'Twinkle, Twinkle,	when it changes.				

	Little Star'. (see				
	nursery rhyme spine)				
Nursery term 2	Enjoy and take part in action songs, such as 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star'. (see nursery rhyme spine).	Has strong preferences for songs/rhymes they like to sing or listen to.	Creates visual representation of sounds, instruments and pieces of music, eg mark making to specific sounds or pieces of music.	Claps or taps to the pulse of the music they are listening to. Describes the sounds of instruments e.g. scratchy sound, soft sound.	Perform action songs to their peers. Show basic performances and listen to other performances in class and larger groups.
Nursery term 3	Remember and sing entire action songs rhymes (see nursery rhyme spine). Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs.	Respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings.	Create or improvise their own rhyme around one they already know.	Play instruments with some control to play loud/quiet (dynamics), fast/slow (tempo) and to express their feelings and ideas	Perform to whole school and stakeholders.
Recention End Of	Year Expectations				
Communication	Listen carefully to rhyme	s and songs naving att	ention to how they	sound	
and Language	Learn rhymes, poems an		ention to now they :		
Physical	Combine different move	*	Jency.		
Development					

Expres and De ELG	-	Watch and talk Sing in a group	about dar or on thei	r own, increasingly mat usic making and dance, Sing a range of w tive Perform songs, r appropriate) try	rt, expressing their f tching the pitch and performing solo or rell-known nursery r	feelings and responses. following the melody. in groups. hymes and songs. stories with others, and	(when	
Recep	tion term 1	Sing songs whic contain a small of notes.	h range	Comment and respond to recorded music from different traditions, genres, styles, and times.Improvise songs taught.Keep a steady pulse with some accuracy.Perform actions to accompany songs and perform to peers.Sele and accompany perform to peers.Improvise songs taught.Improvise songs taught.Keep a steady pulse with some accuracy.Perform actions to accompany songs and perform to peers.Sele and actions to accompany songs and perform to peers.Imitate movements in response to music.Begin to gain an understanding of theHe env		Selection of rhymes and music from different cultures. Create environmental sounds. Introduced to different roles within the performing arts and music industry. Develop awareness of environmental issues via music and songs.		
Recep	tion term 2	Sing broadly in with a limited p range.	itch	Comment on and respond to recordings of own voice, other classroom sounds and musical instruments. Comment and respond to recorded music from different	Create their own rhythms. Suggest symbols to represent rhythms.	Recognise changes in tempo, timbre, pitch and dynamics. Broadly control changes in tempo, timbre, pitch and dynamics when playing instruments and vocally.	To perform their created music to their peers. Perform with confidence. Perform as a group with instructions	

		traditions, genres,			from a leader		
		styles, and times.			(to a range of		
					audiences		
					using actions		
					and		
					instruments).		
					Practice and		
					maintain a		
					performance.		
Reception term 3	Sing broadly in tune	Comment and	Suggest symbols		Practice and		
	with a limited pitch	respond to recorded	to represent		maintain a		
	range.	music from different	sounds in the		performance.		
		traditions, genres,	music they				
		styles, and times.	create.		Listen to		
					others'		
			To create their		performances		
			own music.		and offer		
					supportive		
					feedback.		
Year 1 End of Year	•						
Singing	Sing simple songs, chant	•	nory, singing collecti	ively and at the same pit	tch, responding		
	to simple visual direction	v					
	Begin with simple songs			•			
	Sing a wide range of call		· · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · ·		
Listening	Teachers should develop		-				
	history and social contex	•					
	performances should be complemented by opportunities to experience live music making in and out of						
	school.						
Composing	Improvise simple vocal c						
	Create musical sound eff						
	make a story, choosing a	nd playing instruments	or sound-makers. U	inderstand the difference	e between		

	creating a rhythm patter	· · ·	nvent, retain and re	call rhythm and pitch pa	atterns and		
	perform these for others	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
	Use music technology, if		•	sounds. Recognise how	graphic notation		
	can represent created sounds. Explore and invent own symbols.						
Musicianship	Walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music						
	changes.	changes.					
	Use body percussion, (e.	g. clapping, tapping, wa	lking) and classroon	n percussion (shakers, st	ticks and blocks,		
	etc.), playing repeated rl	nythm patterns (ostinati	i) and short, pitched	patterns on tuned instr	uments (e.g.		
	glockenspiels or chime b	ars) to maintain a stead	ly beat.				
	Respond to the pulse in	recorded/live music thre	ough movement and	d dance.			
	Perform short copycat rh	nythm patterns accurate	ely, led by the teach	er.			
	Perform short repeating	rhythm patterns (ostina	ati) while keeping in	time with a steady beat			
	Perform word-pattern ch		•				
	Listen to sounds in the lo						
	Sing familiar songs in bo	-		fference in sound.			
	Explore percussion soun		-				
	Follow pictures and sym	bols to guide singing and	d playing.				
Year 1 term 1	Follow simple musical	Comment and	Recognise and	Keep a steady pulse	To perform a		
	directions for faster,	respond to recorded	represent higher	with some accuracy	Diwali		
	slower, stopping and	music from different	and lower	(e.g. clapping,	assembly to		
	starting.	traditions, genres,	sounds using	marching, tapping	whole school		
		styles, and times.	graphic notation.	and playing	and		
				instruments).	stakeholders at		
					the local		
				Create and explore	theatre.		
				long and short			
				sounds.	Perform songs		
					with actions to		
				Identify long and	their peers.		
				short sounds.			
					Listen to		
					others'		
					performances		

					and offer	
					supportive	
					feedback.	
Year 1 term 2	Sing and perform	Comment and	Use graphic	Begin to understand	Begin to add	
	songs which contain a	respond to recorded	notation to	the differences	emotion for	
	small range of notes (3-5), with growing	music from different traditions, genres,	record rhythms.	between pulse and rhythm.	effect.	
	confidence.	styles, and times.			Understand	
		, .		Recognise changes	the context of	
	Broadly control			in timbre, tempo,	a song and	
	changes in timbre,			pitch and dynamics.	how this	
	tempo, pitch and			Begin to play	affects its	
	dynamics when playing			rhythmic patterns	performance.	
	instruments and			found in speech.		
	vocally.				Perform	
				Confidently copy	compositions	
				given rhythms.	to peers.	
Year 1 term 3		Comment and	To create and	To demonstrate an	Perform in end	
		respond to recorded	change sounds	understanding of	of year singing	
		music from different	using	musical structure.	concert.	
		traditions, genres,	technology.			
		styles, and times.				
Veer 2 End of Veer	ovportations	(See music spine)				
Year 2 End of Year	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	a nitch range of do co	with increasing year	loontrol		
Singing	Sing songs regularly with Sing songs with a small p			ai controi.		
	Know the meaning of dy		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	and he able to demonst	rate these when	
	singing by responding to					
			nis and (b) visual syl	indois (e.g. crescendo, d	ecrescendo,	
Listening	pause). Teachers should develop pupils' shared knowledge and understanding of the stories, origins, traditions,					
Listening	history and social contex	• •	•		• •	
	performances should be	•				
	school.	complemented by opp				

Composing	Create music in rear and	to a non musical atime	Jue				
Composing	Create music in response						
	-	Work with a partner to improvise simple question and answer phrases, to be sung and played on untuned					
	percussion, creating a m						
	Use graphic symbols, do				mposed pieces.		
	Use music technology, if	•					
Musicianship	Understand that the spe						
	Mark the beat of a listen	ing piece by tapping or	clapping and recogn	ising tempo as well as c	hanges in		
	tempo.						
	Walk in time to the beat	of a piece of music or se	ong. Know the diffe	ence between left and	right to support		
	coordination and shared	movement with others	i.				
	Begin to group beats in t	wos and threes by tapp	ing knees on the firs	t (strongest) beat and c	lapping the		
	remaining beats.						
	Identify the beat groupir	ngs in familiar music tha	t they sing regularly	and listen to.			
	Play copycat rhythms, co	pying a leader, and inve	ent rhythms for othe	rs to copy on untuned	percussion.		
	Create rhythms using wo	ord phrases as a starting	g point.				
	Read and respond to cha	inted rhythm patterns, a	and represent them	with stick notation inclu	uding crotchets,		
	quavers and crotchets re	ests.					
	Create and perform thei	r own chanted rhythm p	patterns with the sam	ne stick notation.			
	Play a range of singing ga	ames based on the cuck	oo interval matching	g voices accurately, sup	ported by a		
	leader playing the meloc	ly.					
	Sing short phrases indep	endently within a singir	ng game or short sor	g.			
	Respond independently	to pitch changes heard i	in short melodic phr	ases, indicating with act	tions.		
	Recognise dot notation a	and match it to 3-note to	unes played on tune	d percussion.			
Year 2 term 1	Respond to visual and	Listen with increased		Begin to recognise	Listen to		
	aural cues.	concentration,		rhythmic patterns	others'		
		responding		found in speech, e.g.	performances		
	Follow and use	appropriately to a		saying, chanting	and offer		
	performance	variety of live and		names, syllables in	supportive		
	instructions including:	recorded music,		names etc.	feedback.		
	starting, stopping,	making observations					
	dynamics and tempo.	about the music.			Understand		
					the context of		
					a song and		

					script and how this affects its performance. Perform to a range of audiences and occasions.
Year 2 term 2	Sing or play with a good sense of pulse. Sing, with accuracy, within a range of notes.	Listen with increased concentration, responding appropriately to a variety of live and recorded music, making observations about the music.	Recognise and demonstrate the link between pitch and shape using graphic notation. Use graphic notation to record rhythms.	Describe how sounds are made, combined etc. and name common classroom instruments. Demonstrate an understanding of the differences between pulse and rhythm through physical movement, playing or singing. Demonstrate an increased understanding and use of basic musical features as appropriate to a specific music content (e.g. getting	Perform to a range of audiences and occasions. Listen to others' performances and offer supportive feedback.

			louder, softer, higher, lower, faster, and slower).	
Year 2 term 3	Listen with increased	Experiment		Perform end of
	concentration,	changing and		year play to
	responding	combining		whole school
	appropriately to a	sounds through		and
	variety of live and recorded music,	technology.		stakeholders.
	making observations	Offer comments		Perform in end
	about the music.	about others'		of year singing
		work and accept		concert.
		suggestions from		
		others, including		
		discussing		
		musical		
		structure.		