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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn 1	 "Menu Song" Keeping a steady beat, Echoing a leader Singing songs that use mi-re-do (beginning to represent them on our bodies) 	 "Tony Chestnut" Keeping a steady beat using rhythmic ostinato Composing call and response music Sing sol-mi with good diction and hand symbols 	 "I've been to Harlem" Composing an ostinato using a pentatonic scale. Singing a call-and-response song in groups. Singing long notes confidently. Playing accompaniments to a song using rhythm and pitch. Identifying where notes in a melody go down and up. 	with This little light of mine. Listening and moving in time to songs in a Gospel style.	Ukulele 1 "Latin Dance" Learning about Cuban music understanding influence on the music Singing syncopated rhythms Learning about the ukulele Learning to play the ukulele (A minor/F&C major chords, Notes E, F, A, C) Taking part in a whole-class performance Improvising percussive drum patterns on the body of the ukulele	Ukulele 2 "The Doot Doot song" Listening to and identifying similarities and differences between acoustic guitar styles Singing 'swing' rhythms lightly and accurately 'Doodling' with ukulele over a chord pattern Playing a ukulele part in a whole-class performance Increasing the range of songs we can play on the ukulele using C and F major, A minor (and G major) chords
Autumn 2	 "What a performance" 1 Learning songs for our Christmas performance Singing with increasing accuracy and expression Move and count in time to music 	 "What a performance" 2 Learning the songs for our Christmas performance Singing confidently in small groups Creating and performing movements and actions 	 "What a Performance" 3 Learning the songs for our Christmas performance Maintaining my part while others are singing something different Confidently performing actions/movements in time to the music Singing songs with a larger range 	"At the Ballet" Listening to music from "The Nutcracker" Using body percussion and dance to identify the structure of music (ternary form) Creating and performing ostinato on tuned and untuned percussion Counting and reading rhythms in 3/4	"What Shall we do with the Drunken Sailor?" • Singing expressively with a strong beat • Maintaining a harmony part • Accompanying the music with cup rhythm • Creating accompaniments with bass notes and chords • Creating a class arrangement of "Drunken Sailor"	 "Hey Mr Miller" Learning about the life and music of Glen Miller Singing the three sections of the song Learn about scat singing and swing rhythms Improvising syncopate melodies using the C major scale Singing and playing as a class ensemble

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	"Football"	"Saint- Saens -Carnival of	Learning the Recorder 1	"Fanfare for the Common	"Introduction to	"Ame Sau Vala Tara Bal"
Spring 1	 Using hand to show falling and rising pitch Playing a percussion ostinato Composing using word patterns 	the Animals" Listening to excerpts from Saint Saen's Carnival of the animals Moving to music showing its character Recognising changes in speed, note lengths, timbre and pitch	 "Enchanted Forest" Identifying the parts of a recorder Holding the recorder correctly Learning to make a clear, pure tone Learning the notes B, A and G Beginning to read B, A, G on the stave Using crochets, minims 	 Man" Exploring the features of fanfares Listening to Aaron Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man" Improvising Fanfare melodies based around 3 notes Composing a short fanfare using melody, rhythm, texture and silence 	Songwriting" Listening to and identifying the structure of a range of popular songs Analysing lyrics and appreciating the use of metaphor Writing lyrics for a "hook" Creating a tune for the hook	Developing knowledge and understanding of a variety of styles of music from India Learning to dance to bhangra demonstrating coordination and a steady beat Creating rhythmic pieces for drums and percussion
Spring 2	 "Musical Conversations" Copying and developing patterns Taking turns Reading a simple score and creating our own 	 "Peter and the Wolf" Learning about the instrument families of the orchestra (sound, pitch, mode of playing) Consider why composers choose certain instruments Make instrument choices when composing Begin to layer sounds for effect 	and semibreves, crotchet rests Beginning to improvise and compose short melodies Beginning to follow the volume instructions on music (e.g. p and f) Listen to examples of the recorder being played in different contexts	"Global Pentatonics" Listening to and appraising pentatonic melodies from different cultures Improvising pentatonic melodies Composing our own pentatonic melodies Using notation to write down our ideas	 "What a Performance" 5 Preparing songs for our school Easter Reflection Observing phrasing, and pitching accurately Singing in an appropriate style for the genre of the song Singing in small groups or as a soloist Maintaining the melody or a harmony part 	 "Twinkle Variations" Deciphering graphic scores Using a familiar melody as a composing tool Using a range of methods to create variations on a theme e.g. body percussion, tuned and untuned percussion Improvising variations on top of a repeating bassline Creating a range of variations with different moods
Summer 1	 "Come dance with Me" Beginning to understand the difference between beat and rhythm Creating new words to a song Using correct technique to play tuned percussion 	 "Time" Exploring beat and rhythm divisions Developing tuned and untuned percussion techniques Listen to examples of palindromic music Playing as part of an ensemble, keeping to our own part 	 "Fly with the Stars" Learning a song based on two chords Listening to and identifying song structure Identifying crotchet and quavers Developing composing skills Performing as an ensemble using vocals and percussion 	Learning the Recorder 2 "Monsters Monsters" Building on stave reading from Year 3 (G, A, B) by learning C, D and low E Rehearsing note and rhythm reading from year 3 and add quavers, quaver rest, dotted minim, *dotted crotchet Playing in 3/4 *6/8 time Building our repertoire of songs on the recorder	 "Music Producer - Grime beats" Learning about the features of Grime music and knowing the names of some Grime musicians Composing Grime music using music production software Creating an original drumbeat, a bassline, melody, chords, sound effects and importing audio samples. Evaluating and improving compositions 	"Leonard Bernstein - Mambo" Listening to and appraising a piece of orchestral music Creating Latin inspired rhythmic ostinatos Learning rhythms from Bernstein's Mambo and layering them to create an ensemble piece

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	"Cat and Mouse" • Creating rhythm patterns	"Grandma Rap" • Learning a rap and the	"Who was Florence Price?"	Holding one part while another group plays	"Holst's Planet Suite – Mars"	"What a Performance" 6 Singing a broad range of
Summer 2	and put them in order to create a composition Writing down our compositions	actions to go with it Marking the pulse Introducing the notation for crotchet and quaver patterns Creating 4 beat rhythms on a rhythm grid Creating a looped backing track to perform our rap to	Listening to and reflecting on orchestral music "Juba Dance" Learning about the composer Florence Price Using the terms Rondo, ostinato and coda to describe the structure of the music Moving in time to the music Improvising and composing in rondo form	something different	Listening to and reflect on a piece of orchestral music thinking about its structure Learning some of Holst's motifs and structuring them into a piece Performing as an ensemble Following a conductor to change tempo and dynamics Composing a piece of music to describe a different planet	songs from our show, including those that involve syncopated rhythms, • singing as part of a choir, with a sense of ensemble and performance • observing rhythm, phrasing, accurate pitching and appropriate style