

EYFS

Our EYFS content provides a diverse range of activities to introduce children to music that aims to foster creativity and engagement. As learning is taught through topic, there are numerous connections with literacy, phonics, numeracy and cross-curricular links. The units provide flexibility in allowing you to sequence them to seamlessly integrate into your broader curriculum.

Our unit 1 content is easier than our unit 2 content. In unit 1s, the lessons are primarily teacher led with opportunities for children to work in pairs and groups. In unit 2s, activities are introduced as a class with further opportunity for children to work in small groups, with a noticeable increase in the level of complexity of task, knowledge and questioning.

In every EYFS lesson children participate in singing activities. Often songs are repeated throughout the unit with children being given opportunities to change words to create new verses, adding in actions and changing dynamics or tempo. The use of movement also plays a vital role in enhancing children's understanding of pulse, rhythm and expression.

Within the units children explore pitch, dynamics and tempo and begin to respond to changes in these inter-related dimensions when listening, singing and playing. Children explore instruments, the sounds they make and how they are played and use this knowledge to create sound effects to add to storytelling, soundscapes and singing, again increasing in complexity from unit 1s to unit 2s.

Throughout the content children copy and create simple rhythms using titi (paired quavers) and ta (crotchets), playing by ear and beginning to respond to written symbols. In unit 2s, children also incorporate a rest symbol and in some unit 2s they combine rhythm and pitch over two notes (Deep Blue Sea and Space).