

Belmore Music Skills Progression Framework

A high quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen with discrimination to the best in the musical canon.

By the end of Key Stage 1, pupils should be taught to:

- use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes
- play tuned and untuned instruments musically
- listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music
- experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music

By the end of Key Stage 2, pupils should be taught to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control. They should develop an understanding of musical composition, organising and manipulating ideas within musical structures and reproducing sounds from aural memory.

Pupils should be taught to:

- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression
- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music
- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory
- use and understand staff and other musical notations
- appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians
- develop an understanding of the history of music.

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Listen and Appraise	To learn how they can enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To learn how they can enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. ● To learn how songs can tell a story or describe an idea. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To confidently identify and move to the pulse. ● To think about what the words of a song mean. ● To take it in turn to discuss how the song makes them feel. ● Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To confidently identify and move to the pulse. ● To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs eg if the song gets louder in the chorus (dynamics). ● Talk about the music and how it makes them feel. ● Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. ● When you talk try to use musical words. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To identify and move to the pulse with ease. ● To think about the message of songs. ● To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences. ● Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. ● When you talk try to use musical words. ● To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs. ● Talk about the music and how it makes you feel. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To identify and move to the pulse with ease. ● To think about the message of songs. ● To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences. ● Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. ● Use musical words when talking about the songs. ● To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs. ● Talk about the music and how it makes you feel, using musical language to describe the music.
Games	<p>There are progressive Warm-up Games and Challenges within each Unit that embed pulse, rhythm and pitch.</p> <p>Children will complete the following in relation to the main song:</p>	<p>There are progressive Warm-up Games and Challenges within each Unit that embed pulse, rhythm and pitch.</p> <p>Children will complete the following in</p>	<p>Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using two notes:</p> <p>1. Find the Pulse</p>	<p>Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using two notes:</p>	<p>Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using three notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bronze Challenge 	<p>Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using three notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bronze Challenge ○ Find the pulse

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	voices to copy back using 'la'.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Game 4a – Pitch Copy Back and Vocal Warm-up 2 Listen and sing back, and some different vocal warm-ups. Use your voices to copy back using 'la'. 				
Singing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Learn about voices, singing notes of different pitches (high and low). ● Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap or say words in rhythm. ● Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Learn about voices singing notes of different pitches (high and low). ● Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap (spoken word with rhythm). ● Learn to find a comfortable singing position. ● Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To sing in unison and in simple two-parts. ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. ● To have an awareness of the pulse internally when singing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To sing in unison and in simple two-parts. ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. ● To re-join the song if lost. ● To listen to the group when singing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals. ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. To listen to the group when singing. ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To experience rapping and solo singing. ● To listen to each other and be aware of how you fit into the group. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals. ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To experience rapping and solo singing. ● To listen to each other and be aware of how you fit into the group. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'.
Playing	Treat instruments carefully and with respect.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Treat instruments carefully and with respect. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To treat instruments carefully and with respect. ● Play any one, or all of four, differentiated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To treat instruments carefully and with respect. ● Play any one, or all four, differentiated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Play a tuned instrumental part with the song they perform. ● Learn to play an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (a one-note part, a simple part, medium part). ● Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Learn to play a tuned instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (a one-note, simple or medium part). ● Play the part in time with the steady pulse. ● Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. 	<p>parts on a tuned instrument – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song) from memory or using notation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. ● To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. 	<p>parts on a tuned instrument – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song from memory or using notation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. ● To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. ● To experience leading the playing by making sure everyone plays in the playing section of the song. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Select and learn an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song from memory or using notation. ● To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. ● To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. ● To lead a rehearsal session. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Select and learn an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song from memory or using notation. ● To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. ● To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. ● To lead a rehearsal session.
<p>Improvisation</p>	<p>Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clap and Improvise – Listen and clap back, then listen and clap your own answer (rhythms of words). 2. Sing, Play and Improvise – Use voices 	<p>Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clap and Improvise – Listen and clap back, then listen and clap your own answer (rhythms of words). 	<p>Improvise using instruments in the context of the song they are learning to perform. Using the improvisation tracks provided, children will complete the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges: ● Bronze Challenge: ○ Copy Back – Listen and sing back ○ Play and Improvise – Using</p>	<p>Improvise using instruments in the context of a song they are learning to perform. Use the improvisation tracks provided and improvise using the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bronze Challenge: 	<p>Improvise using instruments in the context of a song to be performed. Use the improvisation tracks provided and improvise using the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Play and Copy Back ○ Bronze – Copy back using instruments. Use one note. 	<p>Improvise using instruments in the context of a song to be performed. Use the improvisation tracks provided and improvise using the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Play and Copy Back ○ Bronze – Copy back using instruments. Use one note. ○ Silver – Copy back using instruments. Use the two notes.

	<p>and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play your own answer using one or two notes.</p> <p>3. Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.</p>	<p>2. Sing, Play and Improvise – Use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play your own answer using one or two notes.</p> <p>3. Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.</p>	<p>instruments, listen and play your own answer using one note. ○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one note.</p> <p>● Silver Challenge: ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, using two different notes. ○ Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using one or two notes. ○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.</p> <p>● Gold Challenge: ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, two different notes. ○ Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using two different notes.</p> <p>○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise</p>	<p>○ Copy Back – Listen and sing back melodic patterns</p> <p>○ Play and Improvise – Using instruments, listen and play your own answer using one note.</p> <p>○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one note.</p> <p>● Silver Challenge: ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, using two different notes. ○ Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using one or two notes.</p> <p>○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.</p> <p>● Gold Challenge: ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, two different notes.</p>	<p>○ Silver – Copy back using instruments. Use the two notes.</p> <p>○ Gold – Copy back using instruments. Use the three notes.</p> <p>2. Play and Improvise You will be using up to three notes:</p> <p>○ Bronze – Question and Answer using instruments. Use one note in your answer.</p> <p>○ Silver – Question and Answer using instruments. Use two notes in your answer. Always start on a G.</p> <p>○ Gold – Question and Answer using instruments. Use three notes in your answer. Always start on a G.</p> <p>3. Improvisation! You will be using up to three notes. The notes will be provided on-screen and in the lesson plan:</p> <p>○ Bronze – Improvise using one note.</p> <p>○ Silver – Improvise using two notes.</p> <p>○ Gold – Improvise using three notes.</p> <p>Classroom Jazz 2 – Improvise with a feeling for the style of Bossa Nova and</p>	<p>○ Gold – Copy back using instruments. Use the three notes.</p> <p>2. Play and Improvise You will be using up to three notes:</p> <p>○ Bronze – Question and Answer using instruments. Use one note in your answer.</p> <p>○ Silver – Question and Answer using instruments. Use two notes in your answer. Always start on a G.</p> <p>○ Gold – Question and Answer using instruments. Use three notes in your answer. Always start on a G.</p> <p>3. Improvisation! You will be using up to three notes. The notes will be provided on-screen and in the lesson plan:</p> <p>○ Bronze – Improvise using one note.</p> <p>○ Silver – Improvise using two notes.</p> <p>○ Gold – Improvise using three notes.</p> <p>Classroom Jazz 2 – Improvise with a feeling for the style of Bossa Nova and Swing using the notes D, E, G, A + B (pentatonic scale/a five-note pattern)</p>
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			using three different notes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using two different notes. o Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using three different notes. 	Swing using the notes D, E, G, A + B (pentatonic scale/a five-note pattern)	
Composition	<p>Help to create a simple melody using one, two or three notes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Learn how the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Help create three simple melodies with the Units using one, three or five different notes. ● Learn how the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or five different notes. ● Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song. ● Talk about how it was created. ● Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo. ● Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or all five different notes. ● Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song. ● Talk about how it was created. ● Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo. ● Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song. ● Explain the keynote or home note and the structure of the melody. ● Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song. ● Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song. ● Explain the keynote or home note and the structure of the melody. ● Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song. ● Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).

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Performance	<p>Choose a song they have learnt from the Scheme and perform it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● They can add their ideas to the performance. ● Record the performance and say how they were feeling about it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choose a song they have learnt from the Scheme and perform it. ● They can add their ideas to the performance. ● Record the performance and say how they were feeling about it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To choose what to perform and create a programme. ● To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. ● To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit. ● To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To choose what to perform and create a programme. ● Present a musical performance designed to capture the audience. ● To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. ● To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit. ● To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To choose what to perform and create a programme. ● To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. ● To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. ● To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance. ● To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To choose what to perform and create a programme. ● To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. ● To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. ● To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance. ● To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?”