Music is all around us. It is the soundtrack to our lives. Music connects us through people and places in our ever-changing world. It is creative, collaborative, celebratory and challenging. In our school, music brings our community together by being a 'Singing School' where music is at the heart of everything we do: it is our ethos, our daily routines and our heart beat. We are committed to our whole school singing, instrumental playing, experimenting with the creative process, through the love of listening to friends and fellow pupils and through performing alone and together. The sheer joy of music making feeds the soul of our community, enriching each pupil while strengthening the shared bonds of support which make us the inclusive, creative community that we are proud to be.

(Based on guidance from '2021 Model Music Curriculum'- in relation to Seaton Sluice First School)

The Aim of the Model Music Curriculum (MMC)

The aim of the MMC is to ensure a universal provision of music education, for all pupils in all schools. In time and resources, the provision is as follows:

At Key Stages 1 and 3, pupils should receive a minimum of one hour of teaching a week; this may take the form of short sessions spread across the week.

In Years 3 and 4, it is recommended that each class should start a whole-class instrumental programme lasting a minimum of one term. The mandatory term will be supported by teachers from the local Music Education Hub. Opportunities for development should continue beyond the mandatory term.

There should be access to both rhythmic and melodic instruments in Key Stage 1 and 2; this may be part of the whole-class instrumental programme and /or in other classroom teaching.

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)

Music has a rare and unique ability to bring people together; music making can make a whole class, school and community feel connected to others and part of something bigger. This MMC celebrates the inclusion of pupils with special educational needs and disabilities as it does the leaps in technology that have made available new tools and adapted instruments, leading to improved access and greater choice for all pupils to release their creative potential.

The National Curriculum Inclusion Statement states that teachers should set high expectations for every pupil, whatever their prior attainment. Teachers should use appropriate assessment to set targets which are deliberately ambitious. Potential areas of

difficulty should be identified and addressed at the outset. Lessons should be planned to address potential areas of difficulty and to remove barriers to pupils achievement.

Using the MMC

The MMC sets out sequences of learning in the following key areas which, when taken together, all contribute towards the steadily increasing development of musicianship:

- Singing
- Listening
- Composing
- Performing/Instrumental performance

Within each of these areas are some suggested repertoire choices to support teachers in delivering the curriculum and, in the appendices, suggested approaches to demonstrate the way in which musical listening, meaning, performance and composition are linked.

Progression through Key Stages

By offering a rich and varied musical framework that nurtures fundamental musical techniques alongside building musical knowledge, it provides a clear pathway towards mature, musical understanding. Staff notation not only complements developing aural skills, improvisation, memorisation and composition, but also provides the opportunity for pupils to be taught music independently both in class and after they have left school. The foundations of this will be laid at primary school.

Key Stage 1: YEAR 1

	Sing simple songs,	Begin with simple	Sing a wide range of	Good repertoire:
SINGING	chants and rhythms	songs with a very small	call and response	Sing for Pleasure-
	(eg Boom Chicka	range, mi-so (eg Hello,	songs (eg Pretty Trees	Boom Chicka Boom
	Boom) from memory,	How Are You) and then	Around the World from	Voices Foundation-
	singing collectively and	slightly wider (eg	'Rhythms of Child'), to	Have you brought your
	at the same pitch ,	Bounce High, Bounce	control vocal pitch and	whispering voice?

responding to simple visual directions (eg stop, start, loud, quiet) and counting in.	Low). Include pentatonic songs (eg Dr Knickerbocker).	to match the pitch they hear with accuracy.	Bance- Copy Kitten Voicelinks- I'm a Train Bounce High, Bounce Low Singing Sherlock- Dr Knickerbocker Dragon Dance Trad. Bangladesh- Mo Matchi Trad, Ghana- Kye Kye Kule
			Trad. England- An Acre of Land

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 games to energise the pupils.
- **Breathing.** Increasing control of airflow will help pupils to sing longer phrases, adjust dynamics, improve tuning and phrase melodies expressively.
- **Posture.** A relaxed but stable stance (soft knees) sets the body up to produce an unforced but well-focussed sound. Pupils, especially younger pupils, will often want to move to music and this helps to facilitate this.
- **Dynamics.** When appropriate, class singing should include a dynamic range as a key expressive tool. Confident singing will often be loud but need not tip over into shouting.
- **Phrasing** gives shape to melodic lines. Through small dynamic changes, it helps emphasise important syllables and create musical interest in the melody.
- Context. Music can often be brought to life by considering the context in which it was written, or by discussing the meaning of any words.
- Vocal Health. Warming up before singing, staying hydrated, resting voices, particularly when there is lots of singing to do, keeping muscles relaxed.

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WESTERN CLASSICAL TRADITION AND FILM						
Ronda alla Turca'		Mozart			Classical	
Mars from The Planets		Holst			20 th Century	
	POPULAR MUSIC					
Style			Title			Artist(s)
Art Pop		Wild M	an		Kate Bush	
Blues		Runaway Blues		Ma Rainey		
MUSICAL TRADITIONS						
County/Tradition			Title	Artist/Composer		st/Composer
Brazil/Samba		Fanfarra (Cabua-Le-Le)		Sergio Mendes/ Carlinhos Brown		
COMPOSING	Improvise simple chants, using quand answer phra	estion	Understand the difference between a rhythm pattern and a pitch pattern.		logy, if le, to capture, and combine	Recognise how graphic notation can represent created sounds. Explore and invent own symbols for:

	Create musical sound effects and short sequences of sounds in response to stimuli eg. A rainstorm, a train journey. Combine to make a story, choosing and playing classroom instruments (eg. rainmaker) or soundmakers (eg rustling leaves).	Invent, retain and recall rhythm and pitch patterns and perform these for others, taking turns.		(For example): Dynamics and pitch
MUSICIANSHIP	Pulse/Beat Walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes. Use body percussion (eg. Clapping, tapping, walking) and classroom percussion (shakers, sticks and blocks etc), playing repeated rhythm patterns (ostinati) and short-pitched patterns on tuned instruments (eg. Glockenspiels or	Perform short copycat rhythm patterns accurately, led by the teacher. Perform short repeating rhythm patterns (ostinato) while keeping in time with a steady beat.	Listen to sounds in the local school environment, comparing high and low sounds. Sing familiar songs in both high and low voices and talk about the difference in sound.	Follow pictures and symbols to guide singing and playing music. Eg. 4 dots = 4 taps on drum

chime bars) to maintain a steady beat. Respond to the pulse in recorded music through movement and dance (eg stepping, jumping and walking on tiptoes):	Perform word-pattern chants (eg. Ca-ter-pillar, fish- and – chips): create, retain and perform their own	Explore percussion sounds to enhance storytelling, eg o Ascending xylophone to
(Mattachins from Capriol Suite by Warlock Trepak from Capriol Suite by Warlock Scherzo from The Firebird by Stravinsky)	rhythms (starting to use simple notation to represent). Fish and chips	suggest Jack climbing beanstalk Quiet sounds on rainstick to depict shower Regular strong beats on drum for menacing footsteps.

Key Stage 1: YEAR 2

	Sing songs regularly	Sing songs with a small	Good repertoire:
SINGING	with a pitch range of	pitch range (eg. Rain,	Little Sally Saucer
	do-so with increasing	rain, go away), pitching	Trad.Star Light, Star Bright
	control.	accurately.	Trad. Hey Hey Look at Me
		-	Trad. Rain Rain Go Away
		Know the meaning of	Trad. Acka Backa
		dynamics (loud/quiet)	Voicelinks: The King is in the Castle
		and be able to	Young Voiceworks: Ebeneezer Sneezer
		demonstrate these Trad. Oats and Beans and Barkey Gro	
		when singing by	Singing Sherlock 1: Teddy Bear Rock n Roll
		responding to a. the	Trad.Oliver Cromwell
		leader's directions and	Trad. Lovely Joan

Frogs) Trad. Australia: I Got Kicked by a Kangaroo			b. visual symbols (eg. Crescendo, descrescendo, pause)	Trad. Australia: I Got Kicked by a Kangaroo Trad. America: Built My Lady a Fine Brick House
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WESTERN CLASSICAL TRADITION AND FILM					
Night Ferry	Anna Clyne	21 st Century			
Bolero	Ravel	20 th Century			
POPULAR MUSIC					
Style Title Artist(s)					
Rock n Roll	Hound Dog	Elvis Presley			
Pop	With a Little Help From My Friends	The Beatles			
MUSICAL TRADITIONS					
County/Tradition Title Artist/Composer					
Indonesia/Gamelan	Baris	Gong Kebyar of Peliatan			

COMPOSING	Create music in response to a non-musical stimulus (eg a storm, a car race, a rocket launch).	Work with a partner to improvise simple question and answer phrases, to be sung and played on untuned percussion, creating a musical conversation.	Use graphic symbols, dot notation and stick notation, as appropriate, to keep a record of composed pieces.	Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds.
MUSICIANSHIP	Pulse/Beat Understand that the speed of the beat can change, creating a faster or slower pace (tempo).	Rhythm Play copycat rhythms, copying a leader, ad invent rhythms for others to copy on untuned percussion.	Pitch Play a range of singing games based on the cuckoo interval (so-mi, eg Little Sally Saucer) matching voices accurately, supported by a leader playing the melody. The melody could be played on a piano, acoustic instrument or backing	Notation Recognise dot notation and match it to 3 note tunes played on tuned percussion. For example:
	Mark the beat of a listening piece (eg Bolero by Ravel) by tapping or clapping and recognising tempo as	Create rhythms using word phrases as a starting point (eg. Hel-lo Si-mon or Can you come and play?).	track. Sing short phrases independently within a singing game or short song.	

well as changes in tempo.			
Walk in time to the beat of a piece of music or song (eg La Mourisque by Susato).	Read and respond to chanted rhythm patterns, and represent them with stick notation	Respond independently to pitch changes heard in melodic phrases, indicating with actions	
Know the difference between left and right to support coordination and shared movement with others.	including crotchets,	(eg. Stand up/sit down, hands high, hands low).	
Begin to group beats in twos and threes by tapping knees on the first (strongest) beat and clapping the remaining beats.	Create and perform their own chanted rhythm patterns with the same stick notation.		
Identify the beat groupings in familiar music that they sing			
regularly and listen to, eg in 2 Maple Leaf Rag by Joplin			
In 3 The Elephant from Carnival of The Animals by Saint-Saens.			

Key Stage 2-

The key skills and techniques learnt build on those introduced at Key Stage 1 and prepare pupils for progression to Key Stage 2. While singing remains a key thread throughout Key Stage 2, the model curriculum will support other aspects of music making – in particular, the opportunity to access and make progress on a musical instrument.

Through a wide range of activities, pupils will further develop their love of music, refining their individual taste and gaining confidence to be creative musicians with strong aural skills. They will encounter music by living composers and see composition as a current art form. Repetition of techniques is vital to consolidate and gain confidence, and songs, chants and listening repertoire are suggested as a starting point. Pupils will continue to internalise key musical skills and techniques through a range of activities including call-and-response songs and chants, improvisation, movement and active listening.

Pupils will create music through improvisation, exploring how to write music for a specific purpose. Notation is introduced, initially using graphic score, but moving on to staff notation.

Pupils will build musical confidence through active engagement with music as performers, music-creators and audience. There is a strong intention that pupils should be 'doing music' as much as possible, including performing their compositions and improvisations both in their class and wider school audiences, at least once a term. There should be frequent informal opportunities to perform, and pupils should have the opportunity to hear high-quality live performances, either within school or in local concert settings.

Pupils will further develop their shared knowledge of important moments in the evolution of music and of key musicians, including composers and performers, in a range of genres and styles. The history of music will be explored in a variety of ways, placing music in artistic, historical, social and political contexts, and building meaningful and memorable connections.

In Key Stage 2 Years 3–6 guidance is grouped in four sections as follows:

- Singing
- Listening
- Composing
- Performing

Indicative Musical Features

	YEAR 3	YEAR 4
Rhythm, Metre and	Downbeats, fast (allegro), slow (adagio),	Getting faster (accelerando)
Tempo	pulse, beat	Getting slower (rallentando) Bar, metre
Pitch and Melody	High, low, rising, falling; pitch range do-so	Pentatonic scale, major and minor tonality, pitch range do-do (octave)
Structure and Form	Call and response; question phrase, answer phrase, echo, ostinato	Rounds and partner songs, repetition, contrast
Harmony	Drone	Static, moving
Texture	Unison, layered, solo	Duet, melody and accompaniment
Dynamics and Articulation	Loud (forte), quiet (piano)	Getting louder (crescendo), getting softer (decrescendo), legato (smooth), staccato (detached)
Instruments and Playing Techniques	Instruments used in Foundation Listening	Instruments used in Foundation Listening including playing techniques
Crotchets	✓	✓
Paired quavers	✓	✓
Minims	✓	✓
Semibreves		
Semiquavers		
Rests		✓

Time signatures 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4		
Fast (allegro), slow (adagio)	✓	✓
Getting faster (accelerando), getting slower (rallentando)		✓
Stave, lines and spaces, clef*, reading dot notation	√ Do-me Range of a 3rd	√ Do-so Range of 5th
Loud (forte)	✓	√
Quiet (piano)	✓	✓
Getting louder (crescendo), Getting softer (decrescendo)		√

Key Stage 2- YEAR 3 SINGING	Sing a widening range of unison songs of varying styles and structures with a pitch range of do-so (eg. Extreme Weather), tunefully and with expression. Perform forte and piano (loud and soft).	Walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes.	 Good repertoire for this age group includes: Sing Up: Heads and Shoulders Singing Sherlock 2: Si Si Si Flying a Round: To Stop The Train Trad. Japan: Kaeru no uta Trad. Bangladesh: Now charia de (A Boatman's Song) Junior Songscape: Listen to the Rain
	Perform actions confidently and in time to a range of	Perform as a choir in school assemblies.	Sing Up: Skye Boat Song

action songs (eg. Heads and Shoulders).	 Trad. Ireland: Be Thou My Vision Junior Voiceworks: Now The Sun Is Shining Voice Works: Candle Light Singing Sherlock 2: Shadow Singing Express 3: Mirror Trad. England: Ah! Poor Bird/Hey, Ho! Nobody Home/Rose
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WESTERN CLASSICAL TRADITION AND FILM				
Hallelujah from Messiah	Handel	Baroque		
Night on a Bare Mountain	Mussorgsky	Romantic		
Jai Ho from Slumdog Millionaire	A R Rahman	21 st Century		
POPULAR MUSIC				
Style	Title	Artist(s)		
Funk	I Got You (I Feel Good)	James Brown		
MUSICAL TRADITIONS				

County/Tradition		Title		Artist/Composer	
India Sahela Re (Ir		Indian Classical)	Kishori Amonkar		
COMPOSING	and untuned perc whole-class/group inventing short 'on note-range. Structure musical answer phrases) middle and end. P	cussion and ir /individual/inst -the-spot' resp ideas (e.g. usi to create mus upils should co g. stories, vers	ising (using voices, tuned instruments played in trumental teaching), conses using a limited in that has a beginning, compose in response to se, images (paintings and es.	Compose Combine known rhythm names to create rising a using just three notes (Compose song accompercussion using known values	and falling phrases do, re and mi). npaniments on untuned
PERFORMING	Develop facility in tuned percussion of instrument such as recorder. Play and melodies following notation using a second (e.g. Middle C-E/Whole class or in second (e.g. trios and que	or a melodic s violin or l perform staff small range do—mi) as a small groups	Use listening skills to correctly order phrases using <i>dot notation</i> , showing different arrangements of notes C-D-E/do-re-mi (see illustration):	Individually (solo) copy stepwise melodic phrases with accuracy at different speeds; allegro and adagio, fast and slow. Extend to question-and-answer phrases.	Reading Notation: Introduce the stave, lines and spaces, and clef. Use dot notation to show higher or lower pitch. Introduce and understand the differences between crotchets and paired quavers. Apply word chants to rhythms, understanding how to link each syllable to one musical note.

Key Stage 2- YEAR 4	Continue to sing a broad range	Sing rounds and	Good repertoire for this age group includes:
	of unison songs with the range	<i>partner songs</i> in	Junior Voiceworks 1: Calypso
SINGING	of an <i>octave</i> (<i>do–do</i>) (e.g.	different <i>time</i>	Junior Voiceworks 2: Our Dustbin
	One More Day-a traditional	signatures (2, 3 and 4	Voiceworks 1: Hear the Wind
	sea shanty) pitching the voice	time) (e.g. Our Dustbin)	Kendrick: Servant King
	accurately and following	and begin to sing	Happy Birthday
	directions for getting louder	repertoire with small and	Great Weather Songs: Long Journey
	(<i>crescendo</i>) and quieter	large leaps as well as a	Great Celebration Songs: World in Union
	(decrescendo).	simple second part to	Sing Up: Just like a Roman
		introduce vocal harmony	• Trad. Ghana: <i>Namuma</i>
		(e.g. Hear the Wind).	Sing for Pleasure: Ghosts
			Sing for Pleasure: Lost in Space
	Perform a range of songs in scho	ool assemblies.	
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			and creativity of the teacher in terms of
			seeking and using other musical
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WESTERN CLASSICAL TRADITION AND			FILM
Symphony No. 5		Beethoven	Classical
O Euchari		Hildegard	Early
For the Beauty of the E	arth	Rutter	20 th Century
		POPULAR MUSIC	
Style		Title	Artist(s)
Jazz		Take the 'A' Train	Billy Strayhorn/Duke Ellington Orchestra
90's Indie		Wonderwall	Oasis
		MUSICAL TRADITIONS	
County/Tra	dition	Title	Artist/Composer
Punjab/UK (Bhangra)		Bhabiye Akh Larr Gayee	Bhujhangy Group
Trinidad (Calypso)		Tropical Bird	Trinidad Steel Band
COMPOSING	 Improvise Improvise on a limited range of pitches on the instrument they are now learning, making use of musical features including smooth (Iegato) and detached (staccato). Begin to make compositional decisions about the overall structure of improvisations. Continue this process in the composition tasks below. Compose 		Explore developing knowledge of musical components by composing music to create a specific mood, for example creating music to accompany a short film clip. Introduce <i>major</i> and <i>minor</i> chords. Include instruments played in whole-class/group/individual teaching to expand the scope and range of the sound palette available for composition work.
	Combine known create short <i>penta</i> pitches suitable fo play these phrases Arrange individual	rhythmic notation with letter names to atonic phrases using a limited range of 5 r the instruments being learnt. Sing and as as self-standing compositions. In all notation cards of known note values thet, crotchet rest and paired quavers)	Capture and record creative ideas using any of: graphic symbols rhythm notation and time signatures staff notation

	to create sequences of 2-, 3- or 4-beat phrases, arranged into bars.	technology
PERFORMING	Instrumental Performance Develop facility in the basic skills of a selected musical instrument over a sustained learning period. This can be achieved through working closely with your local Music Education Hub who can provide whole-class instrumental teaching programmes. Perform in two or more parts (e.g. <i>melody and accompaniment</i> or a <i>duet</i>) from simple notation using instruments played in whole class teaching. Identify <i>static</i> and <i>moving parts</i> . Play and perform melodies following staff notation using a small range (e.g. Middle C–G/do–so) as a whole-class or in small groups Copy short melodic phrases including those using the pentatonic scale (e.g. C, D, E, G, A).	Reading Notation Introduce and understand the differences between minims, crotchets, paired quavers and rests. Read and perform pitch notation within a defined range (e.g. C–G/do–so). Follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat: maintain individual parts accurately within the rhythmic texture, achieving a sense of ensemble.