

# Knowledge - as a Year 4 Musician I will know...

### **Listening & Appraising**

- five new songs from memory; who sang them or wrote them and their style.
- (for one song):
  - some of the style indicators of that song (musical characteristics that give the song its style).
  - the lyrics: what the song is about.
  - any musical dimensions featured in the song and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm and pitch).
  - identify the main sections of the song (introduction, verse, chorus etc).
  - name some of the instruments heard in the song.

### **Improvising and Composing**

- improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot
- that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake
- different ways of recording compositions (letter names, stave notation)
- the features of a good composition (structure, repetition, silence)

### **Performing**

- you should try to play clearly and with confidence
- a performance is planned and different for each occasion
- it involves communicating feelings, thoughts and ideas about the song/music
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- about the instruments used in class (a glockenspiel, guitar, un-tuned percussion instruments)
- how to hold a guitar correctly
- how to play notes on the guitar



## Skills - as a Year 4 Musician I can...

### **Listening & Appraising**

- confidently identify the pulse.
- talk about the musical dimensions working together in a song eg if the song gets louder in the chorus (dynamics).
- talk about different styles of music and how they makes me feel.
- listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music.
- use correct musical vocabulary.
- explain the place of silence;say what effect it has
- start to identify the character of a piece of music
- describe/ identify the different purposes of music
- begin to identify with the style of work of Beethoven, Mozart, Elgar

### **Improvising & Composing**

- improvise using instruments in the context of the song I am learning to perform.
- improvise using repeated patterns
- help create at least one simple melody using three or five different notes.
- plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song.
- 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 connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation)
- use standard notation
- use notations to record compositions in a small group or on their own
- use their notation in a performance

### **Performing**

- present a musical performance designed to capture the audience
- talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit.
- record the performance and say how I was feeling, what I was pleased with what I would change and why.
- sing in simple two-parts.
- demonstrate a good singing posture.
- follow a leader when singing.
- sing with awareness of being 'in tune'.
- rejoin the song if lost.
- listen to the group when singing
- treat instruments carefully and with respect.
- play a simple part from memory or using notation.
- rehearse and perform their part within the context of a piece of music.
- listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.
- experience leading the playing by making sure everyone plays in the playing section of the song