

Music Progression

Musicianship & Instrument Learning



EYFS

- Hand percussion instruments.
- Learning instructions: stop, start, play loud, quiet, fast, slow.
- Following shapes and symbols to play.

Year 1

- Using hand percussion instruments with more purpose (using elements).
- Learning and understanding the terms Tempo, Dynamics & Pitch.
- Learning the building blocks of Pitch – Solfege sounds.
- Learning the building blocks of Rhythm – Kodaly.
- Using symbols (drawing) to represent a rhythm.

Year 2

- Glockenspiels (first notes C-G); keyboards (first 5 notes C-G); black note melody.
- Learning how Solfege sounds represent letters.
- Learning how Kodaly rhythm sounds represent music notes (just recognising them by sight, not name).
- Drawing a graphic drawing to represent a short piece of music – showing shape and sound.

Year 3

- Glockenspiels (all white notes); keyboards (all white notes).
- recorders (notes G, A, B, high C); steel pans.
- Learning the names of the music notes and how many beats they represent.
- Learning how to draw clefs and notes.
- Learning the Treble Clef mnemonics.

Year 4

- Glockenspiels (all white notes, occasional black); keyboards (all white notes, occasional black); recorders (E – high D); Gamelan.
- Learning to write notes in the correct place on the stave.
- Learning how the mnemonics translate to written music.
- Recognising notes middle C, D and the first E by sight in a piece of sheet music.

Year 5

- Glockenspiels (addition of more black notes, two note chords); keyboards (addition of more black notes, two note chords); recorders (lower notes C & D); djembes; ukuleles (open string melodies).
- Learn by rote where the notes are on a keyboard.
- Introduce the Bass clef stave mnemonics.
- Recognising and playing notes middle C to G.



Year 6

- Glockenspiels (chords, more difficult melodies); keyboards (triads, left hand accompaniment); recorders (faster melodies); guitars/ukuleles; djembes.
- Learn to play a basic one note left hand accompaniment whilst playing a simple melody in the right.
- Play a melody from reading treble clef sheet music using any notes within the staff.

