

## Knaphill Music Curriculum



Key Stage 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Singing	Sing a wide range of unison songs tunefully with expression in range do-so Perform forte and piano Perform actions confidently and in time with a range of action songs Walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes.  Perform as a choir in school assemblies	Sing a wide range of unison songs in an octave range pitching voice accurately  Follow directions for getting louder (Crescendo) and quieter (diminuendo)  Sing rounds and partner songs in different time signatures (2,3 and 4 time)  Sing a simple second part to introduce harmony  Perform a range of songs in school assemblies.	Sing a broad range of songs from an extended repertoire with a sense of ensemble and performance.  Sing three-part rounds, partner songs and songs with a verse and a chorus.  Perform a range of songs in school assemblies and wider school performance opportunities.	Sing a broad range of songs including those that involve syncopated rhythms.  Sing three and four-part rounds and partner songs.  Perform a range of songs as a choir in school assemblies, school performance opportunities and to a wider audience.

Listening	Listen to a range of musical styles and genres.  Make comments on dynamics, tempo and instrumentation.	Listen to a range of musical styles and genres.  Make comments on dynamics, tempo, instrumentation and mood.  Draw links between musical styles and pieces, commenting on similarities and differences.	Listen to a range of musical styles and genres.  Make comments on dynamics, tempo, instrumentation, mood and composition.  Draw links between different pieces, commenting on specific similarities and differences using musical terminology.  Use music heard to inform performance and composition.	Listen to a range of musical styles and genres.  Make comments using musical vocabulary.  Draw links between pieces they have listened to both in and out of school, continuing to comment using musical terminology.  Understand the history and social context of music they are listening to.
Composition: Improvisation	Become more skilled in improvising (using voices, percussion and instruments) Structure musical ideas (e.g. using echo or question and answer phrases)	Improvise on a limited range of pitches on the instrument they are now learning  Make use of musical features including smooth (legato) and detached (staccato).	Improve freely over a drone using tuned percussion and melodic instruments.  Improve a simple groove, responding to a beat.  Experiment with dynamics.	Work in small groups to create music with multiple sections including repetition and contrast.  Work in small groups to use chord changes as part of an improvised piece.  Work in small groups to extend improvised melodies

				beyond 8 beats over a fixed groove.
Composition: Compose	Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names to create rising and falling phrases using just three notes.  Compose song accompaniments on untuned percussion using known rhythms and note values.  Compose in response to different stimuli e.g. stories, verse, images and musical sources	Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names to create short pentatonic phrases using a limited range of 5 pitches suitable for the instrument being learnt.  Sing and play these phrases  Arrange individual notation cards of known note values (i.e. minim, crotchet, crotchet rest and paired quavers) to create sequences of 2, 3 or 4 beat phrase, arranged into bars.  Create music for a specific mood e.g. for a film clip  Work and perform as a whole class	Compose melodies made from pairs of phrases in either C major or A minor.  Work in pairs to compose a short ternary piece.  Use chord to compose music to evoke a specific atmosphere, mood or environment.	Plan and compose 8- or 16-beat melodic phrases using the pentatonic scale.  Compose melodies made from pairs of phrases in either G major or E minor.  Use chordal accompaniment.  Compose a ternary piece.  Use music software/apps to create and record.

Musician	Introduce the stave. Use dot notation to show higher and 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.	Understand major and minor chords  Capture and record creative ideas using any of: graphic symbols, rhythm notation and technology  Understand the differences between minims, crotchets, paired quavers and rests.	Capture and record creative ideas using any of: graphic symbols, rhythm notation and time signatures, staff notation and technology.  Further understand the differences between semibreves, minims, crotchets and crotchet rests, paired quavers and semiquavers.  Understand the 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4 time signatures.	Further understand the differences between semibreves, minims, crotchets, quavers and semiquavers and their equivalent rests.
Perform	Develop facility in playing tuned percussion or a melodic instrument such as the keyboard.  Play and perform simple melodies following staff notation using a small range.  Use listening skills to correctly order phrases using dot notation	Develop facility in the basic skills of keyboards.  Play and perform melodies following staff notation using a small range.  Perform in two parts (e.g. melody and accompaniment or duet).	Read and perform pitch notation within an octave.  Read and play short rhythmic phrases at sight from prepared cards using conventional symbols.  Play melodies on tuned percussion and keyboards following staff notation.	Read and perform pitch notation within an octave.  Read and play confidently from rhythm notation cards and rhythmic scores in up to 4 parts.  Read and play from notation a four-bar-phrase confidently.

Individually (solo) copy
stepwise melodic phrases
with accuracy at different
speeds.

Identify static and moving parts.

Copy short melodic phrases

Read and perform notation within a defined range.

Follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat: maintain individual parts accurately within the rhythmic texture.

Understand how triads are formed and play them.

Perform a range of pieces and arrangements as an ensemble.

Develop the skill of playing by ear on tuned instruments, copying longer phrases and familiar melodies. Play a melody following staff notation written on one stave and using notes within an octave range.

Accompany this same melody using block chords or a bass line.

Engage with others through ensemble playing.