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Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1
Enquiry Questions		
How does music bring us together?	How does music connect us with our past?	How does music improve our world?
	Outcomes	
Listen and Respond – Go Tell It On The Mountain Work through the Listen and Respond activity (Step 6) on the screen. Please use the Unit 1 Listen and Respond Guide for specific answers. The children may use their Listen and Respond Worksheets, where they can record their comments, responses and answers, whether written or drawn. In addition/alternatively, you can record their responses in a separate document. Listening for being 'in time' or 'out of time', with an awareness of following the beat. Listening for being 'in tune' or 'out of tune'. Singing with attention to clear diction. Rejoining the group with help if they get lost or out of time. Singing expressively, with attention to breathing and phrasing. Having a go at singing a solo. Theory quiz	Beginning to understand the structure of the composition. • Explaining its musical shape, identifying melodic intervals (a melody that leaps) and melodic steps (a melody that moves to the next note). • Including a home note, to give a sense of an ending; coming home. • Performing their simple composition using their own choice of notes. • Describing how their melody was created. • Successfully creating a melody in keeping with the style of the backing track. Theory quiz	Can make an informed decision as to which notes to use when composing and improvising with the song. Becoming more skilled in improvising; perhaps trying more notes and rhythms. Becoming more skilled in improvising; perhaps trying to use melodic jumps that might get higher and lower. Exploring rhythm patterns created from quavers, crotchets, semiquavers and their rests. Including rests or silent beats. Thinking about creating music with 'phrases' made up of notes, rather than just lots of notes played one after the other. Theory quiz
	Linked Texts	
N/A	N/A	N/A
	Linked Experiences	
N/A	N/A	N/A
	Overview	
In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Interesting Time Signatures'. You will be exploring 'Interesting Time Signatures' and continuing to learn about and embed all the Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on time signatures, while working implicitly with all the other elements of music as you go through the steps of the unit. In this unit, we ask 'How Does Music Bring Us Together?' as an entry point for the broad Social Theme of 'Music Is a Peacebuilder and Friendmaker'. Aside from peace and friendship, this theme is relevant to learning topics such as kindness, responsibility, charity, diplomacy and other topics as you, the teacher, see fit.	In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Combining Elements to Make Music'. You will continue to learn about all the Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on how musical elements are combined in making music, while working implicitly with all the other elements of music as you go through the steps of the unit. In this unit, we ask 'How Does Music Connect Us with Our Past?' as an entry point for the broad Social Theme of 'Music Is a Storyteller and Time Traveller'. Aside from considering how music relates to history, stories, our past (and our future!), this theme is relevant to learning topics such as cultural identity, changing ideas and	In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Developing Pulse and Groove Through Improvisation'. You will continue to deepen learning about all the Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on pulse and groove in improvisation, while working implicitly with all the other elements of music as you go through the steps of the unit. In this unit, we ask 'How Does Music Improve Our World?' as an entry point for the broad Social Theme of 'Music Is a Changemaker'. Aside from social justice and political issues, this is relevant to learning topics such as psychology, feelings, emotions and other topics as you, the teacher, see fit.

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	inventions over time, creativity, film, TV, communication	
	and other topics as you, the teacher, see fit.	
	Knowledge and/or Skills Covered	
Musicianship In the time signatures of: 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4. Find and keep a steady beat. Listen and copy rhythmic patterns made of semibreves, minims, dotted crotchets, crotchets, quavers, semiquavers and their rests, by ear or from notation.	Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names, to create short, pentatonic phrases using a limited range of five pitches, suitable for the instruments being learnt. Compose over a simple chord progression. Compose over a groove. Create music in response to music and video stimulus. Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds. Start to use simple structures within compositions, eg introduction, verse, chorus or AB form. Use simple dynamics. Compose song accompaniments on tuned and untuned percussion, using known rhythms and note values. Create a melody using crotchets, minims, quavers and	Explore improvisation within a major scale using the notes: C, D, E C, D, E, G, A C, D, E, F, G D, E, F\$\pm\$, A, B D, E, F, G, A Improvise on a limited range of pitches on the instrument you are now learning, making use of musical features, including smooth (legato) and detached (staccato) articulation. Improvise over a simple chord progression. Improvise over a groove.
	their rests. Use a pentatonic scale: National Curriculum Attainment Targets	
Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression. Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory. Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.	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. Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians. Use and understand staff and other musical notations. Develop an understanding of the history of music.	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. Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.
Important Vocabulary		
Pulse, Rhythm, Pitch, Tempo, Dynamics, Timbre – all instruments including voices have a certain sound quality, eg the trumpet has a very different sound quality to the violin, Texture – layers of sound working together make music very interesting to listen to, Structure/Form – every piece of music has a structure, eg introduction, verse, chorus, ending, semibreves, minims, dotted	Notation, Pentatonic [phrase], Chord progression Structure, Dynamics, crotchets, minims, quavers and their rests.	Pentatonic scale, Legato (smooth), Staccato (detached).

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crotchets, crotchets, quavers, semiquavers and their	
rests.	

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Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Enquiry Questions			
How does music teach us about our community?	How does music shape our way of life?		
	Outcomes		
Can make an informed decision as to which notes to use	Listen and Respond - O Euchari Work through the		
when composing and improvising with the song.	Listen and Respond activity (Step 6) on the screen.		
Beginning to understand the structure of the	Please use the Unit 5 Listen and Respond Guide for		
composition.	specific answers. The children may use their Listen and		
• Explaining its musical shape, identifying melodic	Respond Worksheets, where they can record their		
intervals (a melody that leaps) and melodic steps (a	comments, responses and answers, whether written or		
melody that moves to the next note).	drawn. In addition/alternatively, you can record their		
• Including a home note, to give a sense of an ending;	responses in a separate document.		
coming home.	Demonstrate an understanding and appropriate use of Demonstrate an understanding and appropriate use of		
 Performing their simple composition/s using their own choice of notes. 	musical language (including musical elements), from both prior and new learning.		
Theory quiz	 Identify and describe feelings as they relate to music. 		
Theory quiz	 Demonstrate an understanding of the musical style 		
	and a broader understanding of the cultural and		
	historical connections of the music		
	Theory quiz		
	Linked Texts		
N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Linked Experiences		
N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Overview		
In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Creating Simple	In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Connecting Notes		
Melodies Together'. You will continue to learn about all	and Feelings'. You will continue to learn about all the		
the Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on	Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on notes		
creating melodies, while working implicitly with all the	and feelings, while working implicitly with all of the other		
other elements of music as you go through the steps of	elements of music as you go through the steps of the		
the unit.	unit.		
In this unit, we ask 'How Does Music Teach Us About	In this unit, we ask 'How Does Music Shape Our Way of		
Our Community?' as an entry point for the broad Social	Life?' as an entry point for the broad Social Theme of		
Theme of 'Music Is a Builder of Community and	'Music Is a Friend, Guide and Support'. This is relevant		
Guardian of Cultural Identity'. Aside from culture and	to learning topics such as identity, motivation, sports,		
identity, this is relevant to learning topics such as community, nationality, where we come from, team	courage, comfort, feelings, psychology, values, loneliness, friendship and other topics as you, the		
building, sport and other topics, as you, the teacher, see	teacher, see fit.		
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Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names, to	Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names, to	
create short, pentatonic phrases using a limited range of	create short, pentatonic phrases using a limited range of	
five pitches, suitable for the instruments being learnt.	five pitches, suitable for the instruments being learnt.	
Compose over a simple chord progression.	Compose over a simple chord progression. Compose	
Compose over a groove.	over a groove.	
Create music in response to music and video stimulus.	Create music in response to music and video stimulus.	
Use music technology, if available, to capture, change	Use music technology, if available, to capture, change	
and combine sounds.	and combine sounds.	
Start to use simple structures within compositions, eg	Start to use simple structures within compositions, eg	
introduction, verse, chorus or AB form.	introduction, verse, chorus or AB form.	l l
Use simple dynamics.	Use simple dynamics.	l l
Compose song accompaniments on tuned and untuned	Compose song accompaniments on tuned and untuned	
percussion, using known rhythms and note values.	percussion, using known rhythms and note values.	
Create a melody using crotchets, minims, quavers and	Create a melody using crotchets, minims, quavers and	
their rests. Use a pentatonic scale:	their rests. Use a pentatonic scale:	
	National Curriculum Attainment Targets	
Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using	Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using	
their voices and playing musical instruments with	their voices and playing musical instruments with	
increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.	increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.	
Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes	Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes	
using the inter-related dimensions of music.	using the inter-related dimensions of music.	
Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with	Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with	
increasing aural memory.	increasing aural memory.	
Use and understand staff and other musical notations.	Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality	
Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality	live and recorded music drawn from different traditions	
live and recorded music drawn from different traditions	and from great composers and musicians.	
and from great composers and musicians.		
Develop an understanding of the history of music.	langer of the selections	
Important Vocabulary		
Melody, crotchets, minims, quavers and their rests,	Melody, crotchets, minims, quavers and their rests,	

pentatonic scale, Structure, Dynamics, Tuned

percussion, Untuned percussion.

pentatonic scale.