

Year 4 Overview for Music

Key Concepts NC PoS Reference	Knowledge (specific facts or truth components. A knowledge statement will often contain substantive, declarative or explicit knowledge.) Composite Knowledge Specific Knowledge – Component Knowledge	Skills (the use and application of composite knowledge. A skill statement will often contain implicit, procedural and disciplinary knowledge.)
Musicianship: Understanding Music Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians	In the key centres of: C major, F major, G major and A minor. In the time signatures of: 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4.	Use body percussion, instruments and voices. 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. Copy back melodic patterns using the notes: C, D, E C, D, E, G, A G, A, B G, A, B, D, E F, G, A A, B, C, D, E, F, G
Listening: Respond/Analyse	Talk about the words of a song. Think about why the song or piece of music was written.	Find and demonstrate the steady beat. Recall by ear memorable phrases heard in the music. Recognise the following styles and any important musical features that distinguish the
Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.	Identify 2/4, 3/4, and 4/4 metre. Identify the tempo as fast, slow or steady. Recognise the style of music you are listening to. Discuss the structures of songs. Identify: • Call and response	style: 20th and 21st Century Orchestral, Reggae, Soul, R&B, Pop, Folk, Jazz, Disco, Musicals, Classical, Rock, Gospel, Romantic, Choral, Funk and Electronic Dance Music.
Develop an understanding of the history of music.	 A solo vocal or instrumental line and the rest of the ensemble • A change in texture Articulation on certain words Programme music Explain what a main theme is and identify when it is repeated. Know and understand what a musical introduction is and its purpose. Identify major and minor tonality. Recognise the sound and notes of the pentatonic scale by ear and from notation. Describe legato and staccato. 	

Singing	Talk about the different styles of singing used for	Rehearse and learn songs from memory and/or with notation.
Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression	different styles of song. Talk about how the songs and their styles connect to the world.	Sing in different time signatures: 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4. Sing as part of a choir with awareness of size: the larger, the thicker and richer the musical texture. Demonstrate good singing posture. Demonstrate vowel sounds, blended sounds and consonants. Sing 'on pitch' and 'in time'. Sing expressively, with attention to breathing and phrasing. Sing expressively, with attention to staccato and legato.
Notation	Identify: • Stave	Explore ways of representing high and low sounds, and long and short sounds, using symbols and any appropriate means of notation.
Use and understand staff and other musical notation.	Treble clef Time signature Identify and understand the differences between minims, crotchets, paired quavers and rests.	Explore standard notation, using semibreves, minims, dotted crotchets, crotchets, quavers and semiquavers, and simple combinations of: C, D, E, F, G, A, B F, G, A, B, C G, A, B, C, D, E, F\$ D, E, F\$, G, A, B, C Read and respond to semibreves, minims, dotted crotchets, crotchets, quavers and semiquavers. Read and perform pitch notation within a range. Follow and perform simple rhythmic scores to a steady beat: maintain individual parts accurately within the rhythmic texture, achieving a sense of ensemble.
Playing instruments Use and understand		Rehearse and learn to play a simple melodic instrumental part by ear or from notation, in C major, F major, G major and D major. Rehearse and learn to play one of four differentiated instrumental parts by ear or from
staff and other musical notations		notation, in the tonal centres of C major, F major, G major and D major.
Creating: Improving Improvise and compose music for a		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
range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music		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.
Creating: Composing Improvise and		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 music for a range of purposes using the inter-related		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.
dimensions of music		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 their rests. Use a pentatonic scale: C, D C, D, E C, D, E, G C, D, E, G, A Start and end on the note C (Pentatonic on C) C, D, E, F C, D, E, F C, D, E, F, G Start and end on the note C (C major) A, B A, B, C A, B, C, D A, B, C, D, E Start and end on the note A (A minor) D, E D, E, F D, E, F, G D, E, F, G D, E, F, G C, A, B G, A, B G, A, B G, A, B, D G, A, B, D, E
Performing Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression develop an understanding of the history of music.	Explain why the song was chosen, including its composer and the historical and cultural context of the song. Communicate the meaning of the words and articulate them clearly. Use the structure of the song to communicate its mood and meaning in the performance. Talk about what the rehearsal and performance has taught the student. Understand how the individual fits within the larger group ensemble. Reflect on the performance and how well it suited the occasion. Discuss and respond to any feedback; consider how future performances might be different.	Start and end on the note G (Pentatonic on G) Rehearse and enjoy the opportunity to share what has been learned in the lessons. Perform, with confidence, a song from memory or using notation. Play and perform melodies following staff notation, using a small range, as a whole class or in small groups. Include instrumental parts/improvisatory sections/composed passages within the rehearsal and performance.