Characteristics of a Musician

• A rapidly widening repertoire which they use to create original, imaginative, fluent and distinctive composing and performance work.

- A musical understanding underpinned by high levels of aural perception, internalisation and knowledge of music, including high or rapidly developing levels of technical expertise.
- Very good awareness and appreciation of different musical traditions and genres.
- An excellent understanding of how musical provenance the historical, social and cultural origins of music contributes to the diversity of musical styles.
- The ability to give precise written and verbal explanations, using musical terminology effectively, accurately and appropriately.
- A passion for and commitment to a diverse range of musical activities.

RKPS Music Mapping Document

Learning Opportunities

Key Stage 2
• Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using voice and playing instruments with increasing accuracy, control and
expression.
• Improvise and compose music using the inter-related dimensions of music separately and in combination.
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• Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.
• Use and understand the basics of the stave and other musical notations.
• Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music from different traditions and from great musicians and composers.
• Develop an understanding of the history of music.

Learning Objectives

To Perform

To Transcribe

•To Compose

•To describe music

Milestones 1

Years 1 and 2 Music Skills Map

	Ye	ear	1	Ye	2	
To perform	1	2	3	1	2	3
Take part in singing, accurately following the melody.	Υ	Υ	Υ	у	у	У
Follow instructions on how and when to sing or play an instrument.	Υ	Υ	Υ	у	у	У
Make and control long and short sounds, using voice and instruments.	Υ	Υ	Υ	у	у	У
Imitate changes in pitch.	Υ	Υ	Υ	у	у	У
To compose						
Create a sequence of long and short sounds.			Υ		у	
Clap rhythms	Υ	Υ	Υ	у		У
Choose sounds to create an effect.		Υ	Y		у	
Create a mixture of different sounds (long and short, loud and quiet, high and low)		Υ	Υ		у	
Sequence sounds to create an overall effect.		Υ	Υ		у	
Create short, musical patterns.		Υ	Υ		у	
Create short, rhythmic phrases.			Υ		у	
To transcribe	1	2	3	1	2	3
Use symbols to represent a composition and use them to help with a performance.			Υ			
To describe music	1	2	3	1	2	3
Identify the beat of a tune.		Υ	Υ	у	У	У
Recognise changes in timbre, dynamics and pitch.		Υ	Y		у	y

Milestones 2

Years 3 and 4 Music Skills Map

	Ye	ear	3	Year		4
To perform	1	2	3	1	2	3
Sing from memory with accurate pitch.	Y	Υ	Υ		Υ	
Sing in tune	Y	Υ	Υ		Υ	
Pronounce words within a song clearly.	Y	Y	Υ		Υ	
Maintain a simple part within a group.			Υ		Υ	
Show control with voice		Y			Υ	
Play notes on an instrument with care so that they are clear.		Y			Υ	
Perform with control and awareness of others.	Y				Υ	
To compose	1	2	3	1	2	3
Compose and perform melodic songs.		Y	Υ	Υ		
Use sounds to create abstract effects.		Y		Υ		
Create repeated patterns with a range of instruments.		Y		Υ		
Create accompaniments for tunes.			Υ	Υ		
Use drones as accompaniments.	Υ					
Choose, order, combine and control sounds to create an effect.			Υ	Υ		
Use digital technologies to compose pieces of music.			Υ		_	
To transcribe	1	2	3	1	2	3
Devise non-standard symbols to indicate when to play and rest.	Y			-	-	Ŷ
Recognise the notes EGBDF and FACE on the musical stave.		Υ				Y
Recognise the symbols for a minim, crotchet and semibreve and say how many beats they represent.		Υ				Υ
To describe music	1	2	3	1	2	3
Evaluate music using musical vocabulary to identify areas of likes and dislikes.	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ		
Use the terms: duration, timbre, pitch, beat, tempo, texture and use of silence to describe music.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ		
Understand the layers of sounds and discuss their effect on mood and feeling.	Y	Y	Υ	Υ		

Milestones 3

Years 5 and 6 Music Skills Map

	Ye	ear	5	Ye	ear	6
To perform	1	2	3	1	2	3
Sing or play from memory with confidence.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Perform solos or as part of an ensemble.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sing or play expressively and in tune.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Hold a part within a round.	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sing a harmony part confidently and accurately.	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sustain a drone or a melodic ostinato to accompany singing.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Perform with controlled breathing (voice) and skillful playing (instrument).	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
To compose	1	1	1	1	2	3
Create songs with verses and a chorus.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Create rhythmic patterns and an awareness of timbre and duration.	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y Y
Combine a variety of musical devices, including melody, rhythm and chords.	Y	Υ	Υ		Υ	Υ
Use digital technologies to compose, edit and refine pieces of music.	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y Y
Thoughtfully select elements for a piece in order to gain a defined effect.		Υ				Υ
Use drones and melodic ostinati (based on the pentatonic scale).		Υ				Υ
Convey the relationship between the lyrics and the melody.	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ		Υ
To transcribe	1	1	1	1	2	3
Use the standard music notation of crotchet, minim and semibreve to indicate how many beats to play.	Y	Υ	Υ			Υ
Read and create notes on the musical stave.		Υ				Υ
Use and understand simple time signatures.		Υ				Y
Understand the purpose of the treble and bass clefs and use them in transcribing compositions.		Υ				Υ
Understand and use the # (sharp) and b (flat) symbols.	Y	Y				Y
To describe music						

Choose from a wide range of musical vocabulary to accurately describe and appraise music including • pitch	j:	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
dynamics						
• tempo						
timbre						
texture						
Iyrics and melody						
sense of occasion						
expressive						
• solo						
Choose from a wide range of musical vocabulary to accurately describe and appraise music including • rounds	g:	Y	Y	Y	Y	
harmonies						
accompaniments						
drones						
cyclic patterns						
combination of musical elements						
cultural context						
		Υ	Y			