

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Foxes Years 1 & 2 Year A	Unit: Menu Song YA T1 Musical focus: Active listening (movement), beat, progression snapshot 1 (echo singing, showing pitch moving). About the unit: This unit is based around a fun, cumulative song with off- beat rhythms that presents a series of tasty dishes over the course of a week. The activities lead up to the creation of a theatrical group performance using kitchen- themed props. In addition, children practise their skills in listening, keeping a steady beat, and developing a sense of pitch by echo singing a leader. This unit also contains the first of three progression snapshots that will be returned to and developed in Terms 2 and 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress. Lesson 1: Get to know the song 1. Lesson 2: Get to know the song 2. Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 1. Make a video recording of children singing.	Unit: Colonel Hathi's march YA T1 Musical focus: Beat, march, timbre, film music. About the unit: This unit is based around the piece 'Colonel Hathi's march' from The Jungle Book. Pupils will explore moving and counting in time to march music, composing their own marching music, listening to contrasting low and high instruments typically found in a marching band, as well as responding to music through movement. Lesson 1: Keep in time with 'Colonel Hathi's march' and listen to it played on brass instruments. Lesson 2: Explore instruments found in marching bands. Compose and play simple marching music. Lesson 3: Keep in time with a changing pulse, listen to a ballet march, and make up a dance in response to it. Magical musical aquarium YA T1 Musical focus: Timbre, pitch, structure, graphic symbols,	Unit: Football YA T2 Musical focus: Beat, ostinato, pitched/unpitched patterns, mi-re-do (notes E-D-C), progression snapshot 2. Pieces: Football. About the unit: Football is a lively, rhythmic chant about football. This unit sees children echo singing, composing word patterns, improvising with mi-re-do, and playing a percussion ostinato. Activities will support pupils to understand the difference between pitched patterns and rhythm patterns, higher and lower. This unit also contains progression snapshot 2, revisiting the song Rain is falling down covered in Term 1. This is the second of three progression snapshots that will be returned to again and developed in Term 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress.	Unit: Who stole my chickens and my hens? YA T2 Musical focus: 4-beat patterns, rests, dotted quaver – semiquaver rhythm ('skipty' rhythm), clapping games. Pieces: Who stole my chickens and my hens? About the unit: This unit is built around a fun song with easy to pick up lyrics and a lively melody. The song provides plenty of opportunities to practise beat work, rests, and explore the 'skipty' (dotted quaver-semiquaver) rhythm. As well as learning the song activities include learning a simple clapping game that can be played in pairs, creating body percussion patterns, and composing new lyrics. There are numerous games to accompany the song that can be found online that you can take into the playground. Lesson 1: Sing a song	Unit: Dancing and drawing to Nautilus YA T3 Musical focus: Active listening (musical signals, internalising beat, draw to music, movement /actions), electronic music Pieces: Nautilus by Anna Meredith. About the unit: Enter the zany world of Anna Meredith's Nautilus! This iconic, futuristic sounding piece is characterised by its heavy beat and rising pitch patterns. Through this music, pupils will develop their feeling and understanding of pitch, beat, and duration. They will listen actively to the piece, interpreting its gestures in dance. They will engage imaginatively with the piece by drawing to the music. Finally, they will compare their interpretations with contrasting animations and videos, discovering that music can be interpreted in a myriad	Unit: Come dance with me YA T3 Musical focus: Call-and-response, echo singing and playing, playing percussion, developing beat skills, crotchet, quavers and crotchet rest, progression snapshot 3. Pieces: Come dance with me. About the unit: This lively warm-up song works well with movement and provides a good springboard into composing new lyrics and actions. The call-and-response nature of the song translates well into instrumental work, with pupils creating their own percussive responses and playing simple rhythm patterns on tuned instruments. Lesson 1: Find the beat and learn to sing the 'response' lines. Lesson 2: Practise finding the beat, join in singing the chorus, and play call-and-response rhythms.
	Lesson 4: Improvise a percussion accompaniment to <i>Menu song</i> .	classical music.Pieces: 'Aquarium' from <i>The carnival</i>	Lesson 1: Learn the chant.	accurately and copy 4- beat rhythm patterns.	of ways.	Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 3. Make a video



Lesson 5: Prepare for a	of the animals by Camille	Lesson 2: Practise the	Lesson 2: Mark rests with	Lesson 1: Explore	recording of children
dramatic performance of	Saint-Saëns.	chant and create a	body percussion and play	Nautilus through	singing.
Menu song.		simple ostinato on	a partner clapping game.	movement and active	Lesson 4: Sing the song
Lesson 6: Performance day.	About the unit:	untuned percussion.	Lesson 3: Use	listening.	confidently and play the
	Experiencing music through	Lesson 3: Make a video	instruments to mark	Lesson 2: Draw to music	response phrase on
	practical and active learning	recording of children	rests.	 engage imaginatively 	tuned percussion.
	helps children get inside the	singing (Rain is falling	Lesson 4: Compose new	with the music.	Lesson 5: Sing and play in
	music – in this case,	down). Progression	lyrics.	Lesson 3: Compare	call-and-response.
	'Aquarium' from The carnival	snapshot 2.	Lesson 5: Create body	interpretations of the	Lesson 6: Sing the song
	of the animals by Camille	Lesson 4: Compose	percussion rhythms.	piece.	in call-and-response,
	Saint-Saëns. Work your way	melodies using mi-re-do	Lesson 6: Create a		invent new song lyrics,
	through a range of activities,	(E-D-C) and the rhythm	performance.	Unit: Cat and mouse YA	and turn new lyrics into
	including responding to music	of the words from		Т3	musical phrases.
	through moving, exploring	Football.		Musical focus: Mood,	
	the sound of instruments,	Lesson 5: Compose and		tempo, dynamics,	
	listening and singing, and of	perform word patterns in		rhythm, timbre, dot	
	course composing your own	groups.		notation.	
	musical aquarium.	Lesson 6: Compose		Pieces: Three little mice,	
		melodies for their own		What do you want to	
	Lesson 1: Experiment with	word patterns using mi-		eat little mouse, The old	
	sounds to create aquarium-	re-do (E-D-C).		grey cat	
	inspired music.				
	Lesson 2: Listen actively to			About the unit:	
	'Aquarium' and refine			This unit uses a singing	
	aquarium-inspired			game as a starting point	
	compositions.			for improvising rhythms	
	Lesson 3: Learn a sea-themed			and then reading and	
	song and combine it with			writing them in simple	
	aquarium-inspired			notation. It also explores	
	compositions to create a			how we use a	
	ternary-shaped piece.			combination of musical	
				elements – rhythm,	
				tempo, timbre, and	
				dynamics – to create an	
				emotional response that	
				helps us tell a story.	
				Lesson 1: Play a singing	
				game, experiencing how	
				music creates a mood.	





					Lesson 2: Focus on rhythm – copying, inventing, and reading notation. Lesson 3: Create rhythm compositions and attempt to record them on paper and play them on instruments.	
Foxes	Unit: Tony Chestnut YB T1	Unit: The Carnival of Animals	Unit: Grandma rap YB T2	Unit: Swing-a-long with	Unit: The rockpool rock	Unit: Tanczymy labada
Years 1 & 2	(Y2)	YB T1 (Y2)	(Y2)	Shostakovich YB T2	YB T3 (Y2)	YB T3 (Y2)
	Musical focus: Beat, rhythm,	Musical focus: Timbre,	Musical focus: Duration	Musical focus: 2- and 3-	Musical focus: 2-part	Musical focus: Singing
Year B	melody, echo, call-and-	tempo, dynamics, pitch,	(crotchet, quavers,	time, beat, beat	singing, rock 'n' roll,	games, traditional Polish
	response, tuned and untuned, progression	classical music. Pieces: Carnival of the	crotchet rest), unison, round, progression	groupings, 20th century Classical music.	structure, timbre. Pieces: The rockpool	dances, follow a changing beat and
	snapshot 1.	animals by Camille Saint-	snapshot 2.	Pieces: Jazz suite No. 2 –	rock by Ed Aldcroft, Julia	tempo, playing a
	Pieces: Tony Chestnut.	Saëns.	Pieces: Grandma rap.	6 'Waltz II' and Jazz suite	Partington, Eleanor	percussion
		0.000	The second of a manual rape	No. 1 – 2 'Polka' by	Mooney and Claire	accompaniment, body
	About the unit:	About the unit:	About the unit:	Dmitri Shostakovich.	Tustin, Hound dog	percussion patterns,
	A fun, fast-moving action	Based around five of	This unit explores beat		performed by Elvis and	progression snapshot 3.
	song that has a simple tune	the movements from Carnival	and rhythm work using	About the unit:	Big Mama Thornton,	Pieces: Tańczymy
	and clever lyrics crafted to	of the animals, pupils will	crotchets and quavers.	Sing, swing, and sway	Rock around the clock	labada, Płynie statek.
	sound like different parts of	explore ways that the	Beginning with on-the-	your way through this	performed by Bill Hailey	
	the body. In this unit, pupils	composer – Camille Saint-	spot actions, followed by	unit on metre! Along the	and the Comets, Johnny	About the unit:
	will be encouraged to sing	Saëns – has used instruments,	stepping the durations,	way, your pupils will feel	B. Goode by Chuck	This unit is based around
	with good diction to	rhythm, articulation, tempo,	stick notation is	patterns of beats in their	Berry, Tutti frutti by	a welcoming Polish circle
	emphasise word play, learn	and pitch to create pictures	introduced and pupils go	bodies, swinging in time	Little Richard.	game with increasingly
	to play the melody of the	of the animals in our	on to create their own 4-	with a partner and	About the unit. An	tricky actions, which will
	song on tuned percussion and working by ear, explore	imaginations. Lesson 1: Learn about	beat patterns which they will loop creating an	marking the beat using simple body percussion	About the unit: An upbeat song making a	help to develop children's sense of beat
	call-and-response, making up	Carnival of the animals and	accompaniment to	patterns. They will	real splash, with a	and encourage
	call-and-response patterns	listen to 'Aquarium'.	perform the rap to. This	explore how beats are	spoken second part and	cooperative play. As well
	with actions, their voices and	Lesson 2: How a composer	unit also contains the	grouped and will devise	rippling blue notes. This	as learning to sing
	with instruments. This unit	uses timbre to create	second of three	their own body	song and unit provide an	confidently in another
	also contains the first of	character and responding to	progression snapshots	percussion patterns to	opportunity to create an	language, children will
	three progression snapshots	the music through art.	that will be returned to	demonstrate this. They	end of year 'rockpool	learn to play singing
	that will be returned to and	Lesson 3: How a composer	and developed in Term 3	will begin to identify	inspired' performance,	games, play an
	developed in Terms 2 and 3	uses rhythm and articulation	to collect evidence of	different metres in	combining singing,	accompaniment, and
		to create character and	pupils' progress.	familiar songs. Finally,	playing, and dancing.	invent a 4-beat body



to collect evidence of pupils' progress.

Lesson 1: Get to know the song – learn the melody and add actions on the beat. **Lesson 2:** Get to know the song – improving phrasing and tuning. Track the shape of the melody with gesture. **Lesson 3:** Progression snapshot 1. Make a video recording of children singing. **Lesson 4:** Play the songs melody on a tuned percussion instrument. **Lesson 5:** Improvise rhythms along to a backing track. Lesson 6: Compose call-andresponse music.

responding to the music through movement.

Unit: Musical conversations (Y1) Musical focus: Question-andanswer, timbre, graphic score

About the unit:

Music is full of conversations between instruments (and/or voices). Ideas are often passed back and forth, copied, and developed. This unit describes how to create musical conversations with your children. Pupils will invent and compose short pieces based around question-and-answer interactions/dialogue. They will also learn to take turns playing, lead and follow, read a 'score', and create their own simple graphic scores.

Lesson 1: Improvise questionand-answer conversations using percussion instruments. Lesson 2: Create a piece of music called *The phone call*. Lesson 3: Create, interpret, and perform from graphic scores. Lesson 1: Introduce the song, mark the pulse, learn the actions, recap *Hi lo chicka lo* from term

Lesson 2: Learn *Grandma* rap words and actions, practise pitch pencils, introduce 'walk' duration (action and notation). **Lesson 3:** Progression snapshot activity 2. **Lesson 4:** Rehearse the rap, introduce the 'jogging' duration and practise 'walk' duration with notation. **Lesson 5:** Create 4-beat rhythms using 'walk' and 'jogging' durations using a rhythm grid. **Lesson 6:** Create looped backing (or body percussion accompaniment) to

perform Grandma rap to.

the children will be invited to move freely and creatively to two pieces from Shostakovich's Jazz suites, each in a different metre, using scarves, ribbons, cloths, or even old socks! This unit offers an excellent next step for pupils who have already established a strong sense of beat.

Lesson 1: Get moving and swing to the beat!
Lesson 2: Feel the beat using body percussion.
Lesson 3: Be creative on the beat.

Charlie Chaplin YB T2 (Y2)
Musical focus: To create music to accompany a short film featuring Charlie Chaplin, pitch (high and low), duration (long and short), dynamics/volume (loud and soft).
Pieces: 'The lion's cage' – a scene from the 1928 film *The circus*, written, produced, and directed

About the unit:
Film composing is an art form all of its own — different, and distinct

by Charlie Chaplin.

Lesson 1: Introduction to the song and style of music – rock 'n' roll.
Lesson 2: Learn the Chorus in two parts.
Lesson 3: Learn Verse 3 and practise the Chorus.
Lesson 4: Learn an instrumental introduction.
Lesson 5: Practise the instrumental introduction and the song.
Lesson 6: Put it all

together.

percussion pattern.
Additionally, they will
learn about traditional
dances of Poland and
plan and rehearse a
performance for younger
children. This unit also
contains the final of
three progression
snapshots to collect
evidence of pupils'
progress.

Lesson 1: Learn the song and how to sidestep in a circle.

Lesson 2: Learn to play the game to *Tańczymy labada*.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 3. Make a video recording of children singing.

Lesson 4: Invent new words and actions for Tańczymy labada and play an accompaniment on tuned percussion. Lesson 5: Learn a new

singing game – *Płynie* statek. **Lesson 6:** Prepare a

Lesson 6: Prepare a performance for other classes in the school.





				from other forms of composition. Composers use moving images (and often story) to inspire, shape, and structure their ideas. In this unit, we will use a film by Charlie Chaplin to help us understand different musical elements. Lesson 1: Duration — short and long. Lesson 2: Pitch — high and low. Lesson 3: Dynamics — loud and soft.		
Hedgehogs	I've been to Harlem YA T1 (Y3)	Chilled out clap rap YA T1 (Y3)	Latin dance YA T2(Y3) Musical focus: Salsa,	'March' from The nutcracker YA T2 (Y3)	Just three notes YA T3 (Y3)	Fly with the stars (classroom percussion)
Years 3 & 4	Musical focus: Pitch shape,	Musical focus: Beat, rhythm,	beat, clave rhythm,	Musical focus: Rondo	Musical focus: Pitch	YA T3 (Y3)
Year A	ostinato, round, pentatonic,	dynamics, crotchet, paired	timbre, chords, rhythm	structure, beat,	(notes C-D-E), rhythm	Musical focus: Minor
	call-and-response,	quavers, notes C-D-E,	pattern, progression	higher/lower, staccato,	patterns, structure,	and major chords (A
	progression snapshot 1.	crotchet rest.	snapshot 2.	call-and-response,	minimalism, dot	minor, C major),
	Pieces: I've been to Harlem	Pieces: Chilled-out clap rap.	Pieces: Latin dance.	romantic ballet music. Pieces: 'March' from The	notation. Pieces: Musica ricercata	arpeggio, chord, dot notation, durations
	About the unit:	About the unit:	About the unit:	Nutcracker by Pyotr	by György Ligeti,	(crotchet, quavers),
	A traditional pentatonic song	This unit is built around a	In the unit Latin dance,	Ilyich Tchaikovsky.	Drumming part IV by	progression snapshot 3.
	about travelling around the	laid-back rap with	pupils will explore salsa	,	Steve Reich.	Pieces: Fly with the
	world, full of creative	accompanying clapping	rhythms by learning to	About the unit:		stars.
	possibilities. Use it to invent	patterns and plenty of	dance salsa, play a clave	This unit is based upon	About the unit:	
	cup rhythm games, explore	dynamic contrast. It offers	rhythm, sing the song,	the 'March' from <i>The</i>	With just three pitches	About the unit:
	pentatonic melodies from	opportunities for physical and	and play a percussion	Nutcracker by	(C-D-E) and four	Fly with the stars is a
	around the world, sing as a	creative activities that will	part. They will also	Tchaikovsky. It follows	rhythmic durations, the	song in an electronic
	round, and compose ostinato	help pupils develop their	compose rhythm	the rondo form structure,	combinations are almost endless! This unit shows	dance style, based on a verse/chorus structure
	accompaniments. It's thought that the song originally came	understanding of beat and rhythm.	patterns to incorporate into their whole-class	embracing its repeating nature of musical	how to make simple yet	using two chords A
	from Virginia on the east	Lesson 1: Learn a rap,	performance. This unit	themes. Veering away	effective music using just	minor and C major.
	coast of the United States of	observing changes in	also contains the second	from the nutcracker	a handful of elements,	During the unit, pupils
	America, where it was	dynamics.	of three progression	story, this unit explores	how to read and	will develop listening
	popularly performed as a	,	snapshots that will be	the character and flow of	understand notation to	skills in recognising a



drinking/cups game song at harvest suppers. This unit also contains the first of three progression snapshots that will be returned to and developed in Terms 2 and 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress.

Lesson 1: Get to know the song.

Lesson 2: Sing *I've been to Harlem* showing the shape of the tune with voices and add an accompaniment using notes from the pentatonic scale.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 1. Make a video recording of children singing. **Lesson 4:** Invent 3-note melodies to accompany *I've been to Harlem*.

Lesson 5: Learn cup rhythms to *I've been to Harlem*.

Lesson 6: Create and perform a class arrangement of *I've been to Harlem*.

Lesson 2: Clap a range of different patterns and perform in groups.

Lesson 3: Explore notation in relation to three durations – crotchets ('walk'), paired quavers ('jogging'), and crotchet rest ('shh'). Lesson 4: Create rhythm patterns in pairs.

Lesson 5: Create rhythm patterns and translate them onto tuned percussion instruments.

Lesson 6: Play a part in a group performance.

returned to and developed in Term 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress.

Lesson 1: Feel the rhythm.

Lesson 2: Learn to play the chords A minor and F major.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot. Make a video recording of children singing.

Lesson 4: Practise the song and learn about Cuban music.
Lesson 5: Compose a

rhythm pattern. **Lesson 6:** Putting it all together.

each musical section and focuses on showing how the music might look or move if it were visible. Drawing on different pieces of art, as well as varying styles of movement, children will discover how the abstract nature of music can be analysed and experienced.

Lesson 1: Listening to 'March' from The Nutcracker by Tchaikovsky and interpreting the music through movement and art.

Lesson 2: Exploring pattern and structure in response to 'March' from *The Nutcracker*.
Lesson 3: Demonstrating the structure of rondo form using movement

the structure of rondo form using movement and performance.
Written for Sing Up by Becca Spencer with contributions from Libby Lane.

From a railway carriage YA T2 (Y3)
Musical focus: Structure (repetition, round, pattern), texture (layers, unison), timbre, beat, Classical music.

capture compositions, and how to structure ideas. The resulting music will sound a little like a 20th-century American musical movement called minimalism.

Lesson 1: Rhythm patterns.

Lesson 2: Just three notes.

Lesson 3: Keep it minimalist.

Samba with Sergio YA T3 (Y3)

Musical focus: Samba, carnival, fanfare, call-and-response, beat, percussion, word rhythms, music and community. Pieces: Fanfarra (Cabuale-le) and Magalenha by Sérgio Mendes.
Number of lessons: 3 x 50-minute lessons.

About the unit:

This unit explores calland-response through word rhythms, and body and vocal percussion. It also gives a snapshot into samba and carnival. Carnival is a serious business in Brazil, celebrating freedom and bringing together,

song's structure and changing chords, practise identifying crotchet and quaver durations, and develop composing skills using these durations and chords to create an accompaniment for the song. The unit will conclude with a performance of their own arrangement of the song using voices and classroom percussion. This unit also contains the final of three progression snapshots designed to collect evidence of pupils' progress.

Lesson 1: Get inside the song structure 1.

Lesson 2: Get inside the song structure 2.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 3. Make a video recording of children singing.

Lesson 4: Play note rhythms to the verse and chorus following the chord changes in the song.

Lesson 5: Explore accompaniment ideas.
Lesson 6: Create a class arrangement of Fly with the stars





				Pieces: Night mail by Benjamin Britten and Geographical fugue by Ernest Toch. About the unit: Take a musical journey and explore the relationship between words and music through listening and composing using a variety of stimuli including music, poetry, and works of art – all featuring trains and railways. Lesson 1: Create a piece of music using Benjamin Britten's Night mail as a starting point. Lesson 2: Compose a piece using a poem and a painting as inspiration. Lesson 3: Use word patterns to create a geographical rhythm rap.	communities regardless of class or culture. Lesson 1: Introduction to Brazilian carnival, samba, and Sérgio Mendes. Lesson 2: Exploring beat with Magalenha. Lesson 3: Learning more about Afro-Brazilian music by exploring vocal percussion.	
Hedgehogs Years 3 & 4 Year B	This little light of mine YB T1 (Y4) Musical focus: Pentatonic scale, gospel music, off-beat, rhythm, call-and-response, progression snapshot 1. Pieces: This little light of mine. About the unit: This little light of mine is an expressive call-and-response Gospel song based on a	My Fantasy football team YB T1 (Y4) Musical focus: Beat, rhythm, rondo, rhythm notation. Pieces: My fantasy football team. About the unit: A fun, rhythmic song about football-playing animals in the style of a football chant, My fantasy football team provides inspiration for	The doot doot song (classroom percussion) YB T2 (Y4) Musical focus: Chords (A minor, C and F major), acoustic guitar style, song structure, relaxed swing feel, 2-bar phrases, progression snapshot 2. Pieces: The doot doot song	About the unit: This listening unit is based around the piece Fanfare for the common man by Aaron Copland. It provides the foundation for investigating how unique music is in creating dramatic effect and	Global pentatonics YB T3 (Y4) Musical focus: Pentatonic scale, different music traditions and cultures, graphic/dot notation. Pieces: Skye boat song – Musical focus: Fanfare, timbre, dynamics, texture, silence.	Favourite song (classroom percussion) YB T3 (Y4) Musical focus: Triads, chords: C, F, G major, A minor, chord structure, folk-rock styles, progression snapshot 3. Pieces: Favourite song. About the unit: Favourite song is in a fast, folk-rock style with





pentatonic scale. The origin of the song is not 100% clear some believe that it was written in the 1920s as a song for children by Harry Dixon Loes, but he never claimed the credit for it. Some believe the lyrics are taken from one of Jesus's speeches to his followers in the Bible. The song has links with the civil rights movement in the United States and became an anthem in the 1950s and 1960s. Famous versions have been recorded by many artists including Sister Rosetta Tharpe, Ray Charles, The Everly Brothers, and The Seekers. This unit also contains the first of three progression snapshots that will be returned to and developed in Terms 2 and 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress. **Lesson 1:** Get to know the

song 1.

Lesson 2: Get to know the song 2.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 1. Make a video recording of children singing. Lesson 4: Play bass notes and a rhythm ostinato with the backing track.

Lesson 5: Improvise on the notes of the pentatonic scale using the voice and instruments.

recognising, playing from, and composing with crotchets, guavers, and minims. There are opportunities for movement, improvisation, and group performance. Lesson 1: Get to know the song and learn about duration. Lesson 2: Practise moving to and identifying duration. Lesson 3: Understand durations written as notation. Lesson 4: Create rhythm sequences and play them on percussion instruments. Lesson 5: Translate rhythms onto instruments. Lesson 6: rehearse and

perform a whole-class 'rondo'.

About the unit:

The doot doot song has a summery and relaxed swing feel, reminiscent of Jack Johnson. It is based on a typical song structure and uses C major, A minor, and F major chords. During the unit pupils learn to sing and play the song, develop technical skills on tuned percussion, learn about chords, 'doodle' (improvise) with their voices and experience playing in a class band. Playing, singing, and improvising is supported by listening to, and appraising music based around the acoustic guitar, comparing and contrasting different artists styles. This unit also contains the second of three progression snapshots that will be returned to and developed in Term 2 and 3 in order to collect evidence of pupils' progress. Lesson 1: Get to know the song 1. Lesson 2: Get to know

the song 2.

Lesson 3: Make a video

recording of children

atmosphere, and is an excellent starting point for exploring the use of pitch, melody, texture, and timbre. Lesson 1: Explore the features of Aaron Copland's Fanfare for the common man. Lesson 2: Improvise fanfare melodies based around three notes and repeated rhythms. Lesson 3: Compose a short fanfare piece for a special occasion using melody, rhythm, texture,

Spain YB T2 (Y4) Musical focus: To create music inspired by Spain, habanera rhythm, triplet rhythm, fitting two rhythms together, count musically, structure ideas.

Pieces: Habanera by **Emmanuel Chabrier.**

About the unit:

and silence.

The habanera is a rhythm most closely and instantly associated with Spain (despite it actually originating in Cuba!). It works well in the classroom as a tool for learning to count and play together because it

Pieces: Fanfare for the common man by Aaron Copland.

Traditional Scottish, Om Namah Shivaya – Traditional Hindu, Busy weaving by Liu Tianyi, Desert blues by Alhousseini Anivolla and Girum Mezmur.

About the unit:

This listening unit is based around the pentatonic scale - a fivenote musical scale, which takes its name from the Latin 'penta' meaning five, and 'tonus', which means sound or tone. It has a distinctive and recognisable sound. Music from around the world, through history and across many traditions and cultures, is based on the pentatonic scale. Integral to improvisation, blues, jazz, rock and pop music, the pentatonic scale continues to influence modern music globally. Children will experience a range of pieces, with opportunities for improvisation and composing using classroom percussion instruments.

a driving rhythm, reminiscent of the style of Mumford and Sons. With a simple verse/chorus structure and easy to follow chord pattern, the song builds on from the unit *The* doot doot song, introducing G major to previously learnt chords C, F, and A minor.

During the unit, pupils will learn to sing and play the song, develop technical skills on tuned percussion, and experience playing in a class band. Playing and singing activity is supported by listening to range of music in a folk and folk-rock style, comparing and contrasting different artists' styles.

This unit also includes the collection of further evidence of pupils' progress – the third and final progression snapshot that will complete the progression picture for Year 4. Across the year the following picture will have been built:Sing Part



Lesson 6: Create an	singing. Progression	is perhaps a bit more fun	Lesson 1: Listen to	1 of a partner song – I
arrangement of This little	snapshot 2.	than a straightforward	pentatonic melodies.	wanna sing scat –
light of mine.	Lesson 4: Listen and	pulse. In this unit	Lesson 2: Improvise	rhythmically.
	compare acoustic styles	children will listen to it,	pentatonic melodies.	Sing Part 2 of a partner
	and practise playing and	play it, and compose with	Lesson 3: Compose and	song – I wanna sing scat
	singing the song.	it.	notate pentatonic	- rhythmically.
	Lesson 5: 'Doodle'! Scat	Lesson 1: Dance and play	melodies.	Adopt a rhythmic
	sing along to the song.	the habanera.		accompaniment while
	Lesson 6: Create an	Lesson 2: Hot Spanish	The Horse in motion YB	singing.
	arrangement of The doot	sunshine.	T3 (Y4)	As a class (or group),
	doot song and perform	Lesson 3: Spanish fiesta!	Musical focus: To create	perform the partner song
	as a class band.	·	music inspired by one of	I wanna sing scat
			the first ever motion	rhythmically, in two parts
			pictures that shows the	and from memory.
			movement of a horse,	Lesson 1: Get to know
			composing to a moving	the song – Learn Verse 1,
			image, graphic score,	learn the verse chords.
			orchestration, ostinatos,	Lesson 2: Get to know
			dynamics.	the song – Learn the
			Pieces: The horse in	Chorus, learn the Chorus
			motion by Eadweard	chords.
			Muybridge (Moving	Lesson 3: Progression
			image, 1878).	snapshot 2. Make a video
				recording of children
			About the unit:	singing.
			Film composing is an art	Lesson 4: Recap playing
			form all of its own -	Verse 1 and the Chorus,
			different, and distinct	and compare pieces of
			from other forms of	music.
			composition. Composers	Lesson 5: Practise singing
			use moving images (and	and playing the song.
			often story) to inspire,	Lesson 6: Rehearse and
			shape, and structure	perform.
			their ideas. In this unit,	
			we will explore one of	
			the first films ever made	
			(from 1878!) and use it	
			as inspiration for	
			composing repeating	





					patterns (ostinatos), and structuring ideas. Lesson 1: Hooves and rider – body percussion. Lesson 2: Hooves and rider – orchestrated. Lesson 3: Hooves and rider, and his thoughts.	
Badgers	What shall we do with the	'Why we sing' YA T1 (Y5)	Madina tun nabi YA T2	Building a groove YA T2	Baloo baleerie YA T3	Kisne banaaya YA T3
Years 5 and 6	drunken sailor? YA T1 (Y5)	L1: Learn about Gospel songs	(Y5)	(Y5)	(Y5)	(Y5)
Year A	Musical focus: Sea shanties,	and spirituals.	Musical focus: Nasheed	Musical focus: Beat,	Musical focus: Lullaby,	Musical focus: A song
	beat, rhythm, chords, bass,	L2: Singing in a Gospel style – phrasing and articulation.	(Islamic song), drone,	rhythm, basslines, riffs. Pieces: Watermelon man	3/4 time, pentatonic	from India and Pakistan,
	dot notation, progression snapshot 1.	L3: Exploring Gospel music	melody, harmony, chords (D and G), vocal	by Herbie Hancock.	scale, question-and- answer,	melody, accompaniment, four-
	Pieces: What shall we do	further.	decoration, microtones,	by Herbie Humebek.	accompaniment.	part singing in a round,
	with the drunken sailor?		progression snapshot 2.	About the unit:	Pieces: Baloo baleerie	creating an
		Introduction to songwriting	Pieces: Madina tun nabi.	This unit aims to provide		arrangement,
	About the unit:	YA T1 (Y5)		some straightforward	About the unit:	progression snapshot 3.
	What shall we do with the	Musical focus: Structure	About the unit:	starting points for	Baloo baleerie is the	Pieces: Kis nay
	drunken sailor? is a type of	(verse/chorus), hook, lyric	Madina tun Nabi is a	composing within a	inspiration for this unit	banaayaa/Kisne
	song called a sea shanty.	writing, melody.	catchy modern Nasheed	groove music context.	about one of the most	banaaya
	Sailors would likely have sung	Alicentalis contac	(Islamic song) with a	Using Watermelon	ancient types of song –	A la contrata de constante
	this song while hauling up the sail or the anchor on	About the unit: Songwriting can sometimes	chorus in two parts. Pupils will learn to sing	man by Herbie Hancock as a stimulus, students	the Iullaby. Pupils will explore Iullabies from	About the unit: This song from India and
	seafaring vessels. As well	appear daunting. This unit of	the song, develop their	will develop their	across the globe, learn	Pakistan explores how
	as providing an opportunity	work aims to give some	own accompaniment	rhythmic awareness,	about 3/4 time, as well	our world, and the
	to find out more about the	straightforward starting	with a drone, chords,	listening skills, and	as sing and play this	different creatures that
	context, history, and purpose	points and simple ideas to	and improvisation, and	compositional skills	beautiful lullaby from the	inhabit it, came into
	of sea shanties as work	help children feel confident	play together with a	through a series of	Shetland Islands.	existence. Pupils will
	songs, the activities in this	about creating their own	percussion backing track.	practical activities.	Lesson 1: Sing the song	learn choreography to
	unit provide inspiration for	songs.	On the way, they will be	Lesson 1: Create a drum	Baloo baleerie with	support the learning and
	pupils to create rhythm	Lesson 1: Identify the	developing their 'ear'	groove. Lesson 2: Create	expression and feeling.	understanding of the
	games (possibly for younger	structure of a song and	with lots of echo singing	a bassline	Lesson 2: Understand	song (in Hindi), learn to
	pupils to learn) and a class arrangement using their	analyse the song lyrics to appreciate the role of	and playing by ear. They'll find out about the	Lesson 3: Create a riff- based melody.	3/4 time and explore lullabies from around the	sing the song comparing different performances
	voices and instruments. This	metaphor.	type of song called a	basea melouy.	world.	and play an instrumental
	unit also contains the first of	Lesson 2: Writing the lyrics of	Nasheed and its	Epoca YA T2 (Y5)	Lesson 3: Play a musical	accompaniment on
	three progression snapshots	a hook.	connection with the	(10)	accompaniment to Baloo	tuned percussion.
	that will be returned to and		Islamic faith. This unit		baleerie.	



developed in Terms 2 and 3	Lesson 3: Create a tune for	also contains the second	Musical focus: Texture,	Lesson 4: Identify the	This unit also includes
to collect evidence of pupils'	your hook.	of three progression	articulation, rhythm,	Scotch snap in music.	the collection of further
progress.		snapshots that will be	tango.	Lesson 5: Compose a 3/4	evidence of pupils'
Lesson 1: Sing a sea shanty		returned to and	Pieces: Época by Gotan	melody to help send a	progress, the third and
expressively and with a		developed in Term 3 to	Project.	baby to sleep.	final progression
strong beat.		collect evidence of		Lesson 6: Perform the	snapshot that will
Lesson 2: Learn a cup rhythm		pupils' progress. In Term	About the unit:	song and	complete the
game, keeping to the beat of		1, children sang Hey, ho!	This unit is based	accompaniment.	progression picture for
the song.		Nobody home in unison	upon <i>Época</i> by Gotan		Year 5.
Lesson 3: Progression		while playing an	Project. With four		Lesson 1: Get to know
snapshot 1. Make a video		instrumental beat. This	prominent parts that are		the song.
recording of children singing.		time children will learn	sufficiently different that		Lesson 2: Begin to learn
Lesson 4: Create body		to sing the song as a two-	the ear can track them,		to play the song.
percussion patterns to		part round while playing	the piece offers a		Lesson 3: Progression
accompany a sea shanty.		an instrumental beat.	tangible way in to		snapshot 3. Make a video
Write the patterns out using		The activity should be	exploring texture in		recording of children
a rhythm grid.		videoed and passed to	music. The activities		singing.
Lesson 5: Create		the Music	'unpack' each of the four		Lesson 4: Practise the
accompaniments with bass		Lead/Coordinator.	parts and through		song – singing and
notes and chords.		Lesson 1: Get to know	movement explore their		playing.
Lesson 6: Rehearse and		the song and where it	articulation and rhythm.		Lesson 5: Create an
perform What shall we do		comes from.	The unit culminates in		accompaniment.
with the drunken sailor?		Lesson 2: Get to know	bringing all four parts		Lesson 6: Create a class
		the song and learn more	together to create a		arrangement of Kisne
		about Islamic music and	physical representation		banaaya and perform.
		the Nasheed.	of the music, revealing		
		Lesson 3: Progression	the interaction and		
		snapshot 2. Make a video	complementary nature of		
		recording of children	the individual textures.		
		singing.	Lesson 1: Getting to		
		Lesson 4: Learn to sing	know <i>Época</i> .		
		Verse 1, play the drone,	Lesson 2: Exploring the		
		and improvise.	history of Argentine		
		Lesson 5: Learn to sing	tango.		
		Verse 2 and play the	Lesson 3: Exploring the		
		chorus chords.	accordion, bass, and		
		Lesson 6: Practise all of	drum kit.		
		the elements, bringing			
		them together in a			
		performance of the piece			





Years 5 & 6 Year B Hey, Mr Miller YB T1 (Y6) Musical focus: Swing music. syncopation, swing rhythm, Big Band instruments, scat singing, social and historical context (WWII, segregation), Hey, Mr Miller, In the mood, progression snapshot 1. Pieces: Hey, Mr Miller. About the unit:

Hey, Mr Miller is an extremely popular song with three layers in a jazz/swing style. The title and song lyrics refer to the well-known American musician Alton Glenn Miller and his swing band. As well as opportunities to discover and learn about swing-style jazz and some of the most renowned big band leaders of 1930s and 1940s America, the activities in this unit will allow children to explore rhythm work, creating and improvising off-beat (syncopated) rhythm patterns and melodies, and develop a polished group performance. This unit also contains the first of three progression snapshots that will be returned to and developed in Terms 2 and 3 to collect evidence of pupils' progress. **Lesson 1:** Introduction and begin learning Hey, Mr Miller.

Shadows YB T1 (Y6) Musical focus: Artists and their influences, compare musical genres (country, electronic dance music, rock, classical, soul). Pieces: Shadows by Lindsey Sterling.

About the unit:

This listening unit is based around the piece *Shadows* by Lindsey Stirling - an American violinist and dancer. As an artist, she creates music that is a fusion of country, electronic dance music (EDM), and rock. There are lots of video examples to watch with focused questions to guide listening and base discussions around. Tokio Myers is also included in this unit as an artist who found fame on the TV programme Britain's Got Talent. He studied classical piano at the Royal College of Music and uses his talents to create music that fuses many different genres. The unit ends with a creative response to music using shadows. **Lesson 1:** Who is Lindsey Stirling? Lesson 2: Who is Tokio Mvers?

Lesson 3: Create a response

to music using shadows.

Dona nobis pacem YB T2 (Y6)

Musical focus: Texture (3- singing in harmony, progression snapshot 2. Pieces: Dona nobis pacem (Give us peace). part round/polyphonic texture), monophonic, homophonic, 3/4 time, durations: crotchet, rest, quavers, minim, dotted minim, dotted crotchet, sacred vocal music,

About the unit:

Dona nobis pacem is a round in three parts that is set to a short prayer for peace. It is in Latin and comes from the *Agnus Dei* of a Roman Catholic Mass. The phrase 'Dona nobis pacem' translates as 'Grant us peace'. As well as being sung in churches, it has also been adopted for use as a song with a broader message about peace. The melody has been passed down orally and is thought to be traditional. In this unit, pupils will explore pulse work in 3-time, learn to sing the song as a round, learn about texture in music, and compare

Ain't gonna let nobody YB T2 (Y6) Musical focus: Civil rights movement in the USA. compare musical styles (gospel, rhythm and blues, choral), spiritual turned protest song, Ain't got let nobody, vocal improvisation, chords C minor and G7. Pieces: Ain't gonna let nobody.

About the unit: This unit features an R'n'B-inspired arrangement of a traditional spiritual, sung in unison and three-part harmony. In addition to singing the song, comparing versions, writing new lyrics, and creating their own accompaniment ideas, in this unit pupils will learn about the social and historical context of the civil rights movement in the USA. Lesson 1: Listen, developing knowledge and understanding of the

origins, history, and social context of a song used in the civil rights

movement in the USA. **Lesson 2:** Play chords to accompany a song.

Race! YB T3 (Y6) Musical focus: To create music to accompany a short film about a race. composing an extended melody and accompaniment. Motif, ostinato, beat. Pieces: 'Theme' from Chariots of Fire by Vangelis.

About the unit:

Film composing is an art form all of its own, different, and distinct from other forms of composition. Composers use moving images (and often story) to inspire, shape and structure their ideas. In this unit we will use clips from the 1981 film Chariots of Fire as a basis for creating an accompaniment and extended melody, and exploring harmony to create a new soundtrack for the moving images.

Lesson 1: Accompaniment. Lesson 2: Extended melody. Lesson 3: Full soundtrack.

Exploring identity through song YB T3 (Y6)

Ame sau vala tara bal YB T3 (Y6) Musical focus: Indian music, bhairavi raga, chaal rhythm, Indian musical instruments, Indian musical styles comparison (bhangra, Bollywood, Indian classical), progression snapshot 3. Pieces: Ame sau vala

About the unit:

tara bal.

Ame sau vala tara bal is a Gujarati devotional song with a melody based on the bhairavi raga. During this unit, in addition to singing the song, pupils will learn about a variety of styles of Indian music. focussing on three in particular - bhangra, Bollywood, and classical - as well as composing their own rhythmic piece for percussion instruments.

This unit also contains the final of three progression snapshots developed to collect evidence of pupils' progress.

Lesson 1: Develop knowledge and



Lesson 2: Learn Section 3 Hev. Mr Miller and find out about swing music. **Lesson 3:** Progression

snapshot 1. Make a video recording of children singing. **Lesson 4:** Learn about scat singing and swing rhythms with Ella Fitzgerald and Duke Ellington.

Lesson 5: Improvise syncopated melodies using notes of the C major scale. **Lesson 6:** Sing and play a class arrangement with a good sense of ensemble.

Composing for protest! YB T1 (Y6)

Musical focus: To create music inspired by Ethel Smyth and a picture of the suffragettes. Composing using a non-musical stimulus. Lyrics, melody, steady beat, tempo, ostinato, coda. Pieces: March of the women by Ethel Smyth.

About the unit:

English composer Ethel Smyth used music to put across the message of the suffragettes when she wrote their March of the women anthem. In this unit, children will learn how to make their own protest song inspired by Ethel's anthem and the suffragette movement.

Lesson 1: Protest words. Lesson 2: Protest song. Lesson 3: Protest!

music with different textures. They will create their own pieces using given rhythms and chords, working from stick notation. This unit also contains the second of three progression snapshots. **Lesson 1:** Find out about

texture, sing scales and arpeggios, and learn Section 3 of *Dona nobis* pacem.

Lesson 2: Practise Section 3 and learn Section 2 of the round. Compare music with different textures.

Lesson 3: Progression snapshot 2. Make a video recording of children singing.

Lesson 4: Learn Section 1 of the round, play a notation game, find out about sacred music in Latin.

Lesson 5: Practise singing different sections of the music together. Compose Part 1. **Lesson 6:** Put the round

together. Compose Part

Lesson 3: Improvised conversations. **Lesson 4:** Create a rhythmic backing. Lesson 5: Organise and rehearse for a final performance.

Lesson 6: Final performance.

Musical focus: Vocal range, voice change, vocal technique, lyrics (internal rhymes), anthems.

Pieces: Smalltown boy by Bronski Beat, Say my name by Destiny's Child, Chosen family by Rina Sawayama.

About the unit: It is extremely common for songwriters to use the creative process to explore difficult and personal experiences and feelings, especially those that contribute to their sense of identity. This unit features two songs taken from the Model Music Curriculum

listening list for Year 6, plus another contemporary pop song on a related theme, and uses them as a starting point for exploring themes around identity, as well as aspects of lyric writing and expressive singing to convey mood and emotion. **Lesson 1**: Smalltown boy - LGBTQ+ themes,

exploring different vocal registers and voice

Lesson 2: Say my name –

change.

#SayHerName

understanding of a variety of musical styles from India 1. Lesson 2: Develop knowledge and understanding of a variety of musical styles

from India 2. **Lesson 3:** Progression snapshot 3. Make a video recording of children singing.

Lesson 4: Learn to dance to bhangra.

Lesson 5: Create a rhythmic piece for drums and percussion instruments.

Lesson 6: Create a final performance.



		movement, exploring	
		internal rhymes in song	
		lyrics.	
		Lesson 3: Chosen family	
		 anthemic songs and collective identity. 	
		collective identity.	
		,	