Music Progression Map

	Listening, appraising & responding										
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Listening to a range of high-quality live & recorded music	*Considering whether a piece of music has a fast, moderate or slow tempo.	Recognising and understanding the difference between pulse and rhythm. Understanding that different types of sounds are called timbres. Recognising basic tempo, dynamic and pitch changes (faster/slower, louder/quieter & higher/lower). Describing the character, mood, or story' of music they listen to, both verbally & through movement. Describing the differences between two pieces of music. Expressing a basic opinion about music (like/dislike).	Recognising timbre changes in music they listen to Recognising structural features in music they listen to. Listening to and recognising instrumentation. Beginning to use musical vocabulary to describe music. Identifying melodies that move in steps.	Discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary (Indian, classical, Chinese, Battle Songs, Ballads, Jazz). Understanding that music from different parts of the world, and different times, have different features. Recognising and explaining the changes within a piece of music using musical vocabulary. Describing the timbre, dynamic, and textural details of a	Recognising the use and development of motifs in music. Identifying gradual dynamic and tempo changes within a piece of music Recognising and discussing the stylistic features of different genres, styles and traditions of music using musical vocabulary (Samba, Rock & Roll, Blues). Identifying common features between different genres, styles and traditions of music. Recognising, naming and explaining the effect of the interrelated	Remix, classical.) Representing the features of a piece of music using graphic notation and colours, justifying their choices	Identifying the way that features of a song can complement one another to create a coherent overall effect. Use musical vocabulary correctly when describing and evaluating the features of a piece of Music. Discussing musical eras in contexts, identifying how they have influenced each other, and discussing the impact of different composers on the development of musical styles. Evaluating how the venue, occasion and purpose affects the way a piece of music sounds.				

				piece of music, both verbally, and through movement. Beginning to show an awareness of metre. Recognising and beginning to discuss changes within a piece of music.	dimensions of music. Identifying scaled dynamics (crescendo/decrescendo) within a piece of music. Using musical vocabulary to discuss the purpose of a piece of music.		
Listening with attention to detail	Listening to and repeating a simple rhythm.	Listening to and repeating short, simple rhythmic	Listening to and repeating a short, simple melody by	Beginning to use musical vocabulary (related to the inter-	Using musical vocabulary (related to the inter-related	Developing confidence in using detailed musical	Confidently using detailed musical vocabulary (related
and recall sounds with increasing	Listening to and repeating simple lyrics. Understanding	patterns. Listening and responding to other	ear. Suggesting improvements to	related dimensions of music) when discussing improvements to	dimensions of music) when discussing improvements to their own and others'	vocabulary (related to the inter-related dimensions of music) to discuss and	to the inter-related dimensions of music) to discuss and evaluate their own

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Composing

Create sounds and	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
music using the interrelated dimensions of music	Playing untuned percussion 'in time' with a piece of music. Selecting classroom objects to use as instruments. Experimenting with body percussion and vocal sounds to respond to music. Experimenting with playing instruments in different ways.	Selecting and creating short sequences of sound with voices or instruments to represent a given idea or character. Combining instrumental and vocal sounds within a given structure. Creating simple melodies using a few notes. Choosing dynamics, tempo and timbre for a piece of music. Creating a simple graphic score to represent a composition. Beginning to make improvements to their	Selecting and creating longer sequences of appropriate sounds with voices or instruments to represent a given idea or character. Successfully combining and layering several instrumental and vocal patterns within a given structure. Creating simple melodies from 5 or more notes. Choosing appropriate dynamics, tempo and timbre for a piece of music.	Composing a piece of music in a given style with voices and instruments (Battle Song, Indian Classical, Jazz, Swing). Combining melodies and rhythms to compose a multilayered composition in a given style (pentatonic). Using letter name and rhythmic notation (graphic or staff), and key musical vocabulary to label and record their compositions. Suggesting and implementing improvements to their own work, using musical vocabulary.	Composing a coherent piece of music in a given style with voices, bodies & instruments. Beginning to improvise musically within a given style (Blues). Developing melodies using rhythmic variation, transposition, inversion, and looping. Creating a piece of music with at least four different layers and a clear structure. Using letter name, graphic and rhythmic notation and key musical vocabulary to	Composing a detailed piece of music from a given stimulus with voices, bodies & instruments (Remix, Colours, Stories, Drama). Improvising coherently within a given style. Combing rhythmic patterns (ostinato) into a multi-layered composition using all the inter-related dimensions of music to add musical interest. Using staff notation to record rhythms and melodies. Selecting, discussing and refining musical choices both alone	Composing an original song, incorporating lyric writing, melody writing and the composition of accompanying features, within a given structure. Recording own composition using appropriate forms of notation and/or technology.

	work as suggested by the teacher.	Using letter name and graphic notation to represent the details of their composition.	label and record their compositions. Suggesting improvements to others work, using musical vocabulary.	and with others, using musical vocabulary with confidence. Suggesting and demonstrating	
		Beginning to suggest improvements to their own work.		improvements to own and others' work.	

Performing											
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Using their voices to join in with well-known songs from memory. Remembering and maintaining their role within a group performance. Moving to music with instruction to perform actions. Participating in	Using their voices expressively to speak and chant. Singing short songs from memory, maintaining the overall shape of the melody and keeping in time. Maintaining the pulse (play on the beat) using hands and tuned and untuned instruments.	Using their voices expressively when singing, including the use of basic dynamics (loud and quiet). Singing short songs from memory, with melodic and rhythmic accuracy. Copying longer rhythmic patterns on untuned percussion instruments, keeping a steady	Singing songs in a variety of musical styles with accuracy and control, demonstrating developing vocal technique. Singing and playing in time with peers, with some degree of accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance. Performing from basic staff notation,	Singing longer songs in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, control, fluency and a developing sense of expression including control of subtle dynamic changes. Singing and playing in time with peers, with accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance.	Singing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression. Working as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a graphic score, keeping in time with others and	Singing songs in two or more secure parts from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression. Working as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting the interrelated dimensions of music as required, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group. Performing a solo or taking a leadership role within a performance.					

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and	able to identify	parts on tuned		
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expressively using	musical terminology.	with accuracy	accuracy and	
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timbre to alter		developing	and simple staff	
sounds as		instrumental	notation.	
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e I III	Performing expressively using dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate.	able to identify these symbols using musical terminology. dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate. Singing back short melodic patterns by ear and playing short melodic patterns from letter	able to identify these symbols using expressively using dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate. Singing back short melodic patterns of melodic patterns from letter able to identify these symbols using musical terminology. with accuracy and control and developing instrumental technique. Playing syncopated rhythms with accuracy, control and fluency. Playing simple	able to identify these symbols using expressively using dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate. Singing back short melodic patterns from letter notation. The performing expressively using dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate. Singing back short melodic patterns from letter notation. The performing musical terminology. Able to identify these symbols using musical terminology. The performing musical terminology. Able to identify these symbols using instruments with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation. Playing syncopated rhythms with accuracy, control and fluency. Playing simple chord sequences (12 bar blues). Performing from basic staff notation, incorporating rhythm and pitch and identifying these symbols using

	The Interrelated Dimensions of Music											
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Pitch		To understand that pitch means how high or low a note sounds. To	To know that some tuned instruments have a lower range of	To know that the group of pitches in a song is called its 'key' and that a key	To know that a bass line is the lowest pitch line of notes in a piece of music,	To understand that a minor key (pitch) can be used to make music sound	To know that the Solfa syllables represent the pitches in an octave.					

	understand that	pitches and	decides whether a	and a walking	sad.	To understand that 'major'
	'tuned' instruments	some have a	song sounds happy	bassline (where	3441	key signatures use note
	play more than one		or sad.	patterns of notes go	To understand that	pitches that sound cheerful
	pitch of notes.	pitches.	0. 000.	up then down	major chords	and upbeat.
	production in the control	p.tooo.	To know that some	again) is common in	create a bright,	and aposts
		To understand	traditional music	rock and roll.	happy sound.	To understand that 'minor'
		that a melody is	around the world is			key signatures use note
		made up from	based on five-notes	To know that a	To know that a	pitches that can suggest
		high and low	called a 'pentatonic'	glissando in music	'bent note' is a note	sadness and tension.
		pitched notes	scale.	means a sliding	that varies in its	
		played one after		effect played on	pitch, eg the pitch	To know that a melody can
		the other,	To understand that a		may slide up or	be adapted by changing its
		making a tune.	pentatonic melody	made by your voice.	down.	pitch.
		3	uses only the five	, ,		
			notes C D E G A.	To know that	To understand that	
				'transposing' a	varying effects can	
				melody means	be created using	
				changing its key,	only your voice, for	
				making it higher or	example by	
				lower pitched.	changing the pitch,	
				·	dynamic or tempo	
					of the sounds	
					made.	
Duration	To know that	To know that	To know that	To know that	To know that 'poly-	To understand that all
	rhythm means a	'duration' means	different notes have	combining different	rhythms' means	types of music notation
	pattern of long and	how long a note,	different durations,	instruments playing	many different	show note duration,
	short notes.	phrase or whole	and that crotchets	different rhythms	rhythms played at	including the Kodaly
		piece of music	are worth one whole	creates layers of	once.	method which uses
		lasts.	beat.	sound called		syllables to indicate
				'texture'.	To know that the	rhythms.
		To know that the	To know that written		duration of a note	
		long and short	music tells you how	To know that	or phrase in music	To understand that
		sounds of a	long to play a note	playing 'in time'	can be shown using	representing beats of
		spoken phrase	for.	requires playing the	a repeated symbol	silence or 'rests' in written
		can be		notes for the correct	or the size of a	music is important as it
		represented by a		duration as well as	symbol on a	helps us play rhythms
		rhythm.		at the correct	graphic score.	correctly.

Dynamics	To understand that instruments can be played loudly or softly. To recognise music that is 'fast' or 'slow'.	To know that dynamics means how loud or soft a sound is. To understand that sounds can be adapted to change their mood, eg through dynamics. To know that the 'pulse' is the steady beat that goes through music.	To know that dynamics can change the effect a sound has on the audience. To understand that the tempo of a musical phrase can be	To know that the word 'crescendo' means a sound getting gradually louder.	speed. To know that a motif in music can be a repeated rhythm. To know that changing the dynamics of a musical phrase or motif can change the texture of a piece of music. To know that playing in time means all performers playing		To know that a quaver is worth half a beat. To know that a melody can be adapted by changing its dynamics To know that a melody can be adapted by changing its dynamics, pitch or tempo.
	To understand that we can match our body movements to the speed (tempo) or pulse (beat) of music.	To know that tempo is the speed of the music.	changed to achieve a different effect.		together at the same speed.	To understand that varying effects can be created using only your voice, for example by changing the pitch, dynamic or tempo of the sounds made.	
Timbre	To know that different instruments can sound like a particular character.	To know that 'timbre' means the quality of a sound; eg that different instruments would sound different playing a note of	To know that musical instruments can be used to create 'real life' sound effects.	To understand that the timbre of instruments played affect the mood and style of a piece of music.	To know that grouping instruments according to their timbre can create contrasting 'textures' in music.	To understand that human voices have their own individual timbre, and that this can be adapted by using the voice in different ways.	To know that timbre can also be thought of as 'tone colour' and can be described in many ways eg warm or cold, rich or bright.

Texture		the same pitch. To know that my voice can create different timbres to help tell a story. To know that music has layers called 'texture'	can be matched to an animal noise based on its timbre.	To know that many types of music from around the world consist of more than one layer of sound; for example, a 'tala' and 'rag' in traditional Indian music.	To understand that both instruments and voices can create audio effects that describe something you can see. To know that combining different instruments and different rhythms when we compose can create layers of sound we call 'texture'. To understand that harmony means playing two notes at the same time, which usually sound	To understand that a chord is the layering of several pitches played at the same time. To know that polyrhythms means many rhythms played at once.	To understand that texture can be created by adding or removing instruments in a piece and can create the effect of dynamic change. To know that a countermelody is different to harmony because it uses a different rhythm as well as complementary notes.
Structure	To recognise the chorus in a familiar song.	To know that a piece of music can have more than one section, eg a versed and a chorus.	To understand that structure means the organisation of sounds within music, eg a chorus and verse pattern in a song.	To know that in a ballad, a 'stanza' means a verse. To know that music from different places often has different structural features, eg traditional Chinese music is based on the fivenote pentatonic scale.	good together. To know that deciding the structure of music when composing can help us create interesting music with contrasting sections. An ostinato is a musical pattern that is repeated over and over; a vocal ostinato is a pattern created with your	To know that a loop is a repeated rhythm or melody, and is another word for ostinato. To know that 12-bar Blues is a sequence of 12 bars of music, made up of three different chords.	To know that a chord progression is a sequence of chords that repeats throughout a song. To know that a 'theme' in music is the main melody and that 'variations' are when this melody has been changed in some way.

					voice. To understand that musical motifs (repeating patterns) are used as a building block in many well-known pieces of music.		
Notation	To know that signals can tell us when to start or stop playing.	To understand that music can be represented by pictures or symbols.	To know that 'notation' means writing music down so that someone else can play it. To know that a graphic score can show a picture of the structure and / or texture of music.	To understand that 'reading' music means using how the written note symbols look and their position to know what notes to play.	To know that 'performance directions' are words added to music notation to tell the performers how to play	To know that simple pictures can be used to represent the structure (organisation) of music. To understand that in written staff notation, notes can go on or between lines, and that the lines show the pitch of the note.	To know that 'graphic notation' means writing music down using your choice of pictures or symbols but 'staff notation' means music written more formally on the special lines called 'staves'. To know that chord progressions are represented in music by Roman numerals.

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Song, singing, clap,	Pulse and	African call	Ballads:	Body and tuned	Composition	Dynamics, Pitch and
copy, instrument,	Rhythm:	and response	Ballad, ensemble,	percussion:	Notation:	texture:
shaker, perform,	body percussion,	song:	expressions,	Contrasting	Balance, dotted	characterise
play, fast, slow,	chant, clap, copy,	backing track,	features, phrases,	rhythms, loop,	minim, pitch	
loud, quiet, repeat,	drum, instrument,	call and	poem, stanza, story	organisation	notation, sheet	Songs of World War 2:
chorus, volume, in	in time, shaker,	response,	mountain,		music, staff	Complement, counter-
time	percussion	rhythmic	summarise	Rock and Roll:	notation, stave	melody, era, morale,
	instrument,	notation,		bass line, flat notes,		notate, phrasing, score,
	perform, play,	Sequence, vary,	Creating	hand jive, originate,	Blues:	Solfa, Solfa ladder
	pulse, rhythm,		compositions in	rock and roll, sharp	12-bar blues,	
	sing, syllables,	Orchestral	response to an	notes, walking bass	ascending scale,	Film Music:
		Instruments:	animation:	line	bar, blues scale,	characteristics, chromatic,
	Classical music,	Emotion,	Melodic pattern,		chord, descending	clashing, conversation,
	dynamics and	Musicians,	repeated rhythm	Changes in pitch,	scale	evoke, imagery, interpret,
	tempo:	orchestra,		tempo and		interval, major, melodic,
	accuracy, actions,	percussion,	Developing	dynamics:	South and West	military, minor, modulate,
	choir, composing,	strings, brass,	singing	A capella, breath	Africa:	polished, timpani, tremolo,
	composition,	woodwind	techniques:	control, cue, diction,	Break, diction,	urgency
	confidence,		Co-ordinated,	Harmony line, in the	djembe, eight-beat	
	dynamics, fast	Musical Me:	crotchet, key	round, vocal	break, master	Theme and variations:
	loud, melody,	Composer,	change, major key,	ostinato	drummer,	3/4 time, 4/4 time,
	performance,	imitate, letter,	minim, minor key		polyrhythms,	accidentals, legato, semi-
	perform, quiet,	notation		Haiku, Music and	pronunciation	quaver, TIKI-TIKI, TI-TIKI,
	repeat, represent,		Pentatonic	performance:		TIKI-TI, translate,
	sections, silence,	Dynamics,	melodies and	col legno, forte,	Composition to	variations
	sing, slow	Timbre, Tempo	compositions:	, , ,	represent the	
		and motifs:	Crescendo, control,	piano, pizzicato,	festival of colour:	Baroque:
	Musical	Accuracy,	fluency, folk, grid		Synesthesia, visual	Baroque, bass clef, bass
	Vocabulary:	arrange,	notation,	staccato,	representation	instrument, canon,
	celeste, chorus,	atmosphere,	glockenspiel,			counter-subject, fugu,
	dynamics, graphic	compare,	harmony, layered	•	Looming and	ground bass, polyphonic,
	score, heartbeat,	contrast,	melodies, octaves,	sounds and	remixing:	sharp note
	high, layers, low,	dynamics,	pentatonic melody,		accuracy, backbeat,	
	pitch, structure,	emotion,	pentatonic scale,		body percussion,	

	texture, timbre,	improvise,	phrases, scale	agogo, bateria,	fragment, layers,	Composing and
	thick, thin, tune,	inspiration,		caixa, carnival,	loop, looped rhythm,	performing a leavers
	verse	interpretation,	Jazz:	chocalho, cowbell,	melody, melody line,	song:
		motif, notate,	Traditional jazz, jazz,	ganza, metronome,	notation, remix, riff	Allegro, diminuendo, largo,
	Timbre and	sequence,	off-beat, ragtime,	repique, rhythmic		poetic structure, ritardando
	Rhythmic	soundscape,	scat singing, straight	break, samba,	Musical Theatre:	
	Patterns:	symbols, visual	quaver, strung	samba breaks,	action song,	
	bassoon, clarinet,	interpretation.	quaver, swing music,	surdo, syncopated	backdrop, book	
	flute, French horn,		syncopated rhythm,	rhythms, tamborim,	musical, character	
	oboe, orchestra,	On this island:	syncopation		song,	
	plot, repeated	British songs		Adapting and	choreographer,	
	phrases, rhythmic	and sounds	Traditional	transposing	comic opera,	
	pattern, sound,	Duration, folk	Instruments and	motifs:	costumes, designer,	
	strings, timpani,	song, inter-	improvisation:	Crotchet, dotted	dialogue, director,	
	voice	related	Bollywood, drone,	minim, key	hip-hop musical,	
		dimensions of	Indian flute, rag,	signature, quavers,	jukebox musical,	
	Pitch and	music, layered	sarangi, sitar, table,	semibreve,	librettist, libretto,	
	Tempo:	effect lyrics,	tala	transpose, vocal	lyricist, musical	
	features, gradually,	voice percussion.		warm-ups	director, musical	
	note, performance,	•			theatre, opera,	
	theme tune	Myths and			operetta,	
		legends:			performers, props,	
	Vocal and Body	Bow, cello,			rock musical, scene,	
	Sounds:	harpsichord,			transitions	
	conductor, inspire,	instrumental,				
	mood, vocal	notation, pluck,				
	sounds, volume,	stave notation,				
	woodwind	violin, viola				
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