



Music: Reception to Lower School (Years 1 to 3) Progressions of skills

We teach music through a high quality scheme, Charanga. Interrelated dimensions of music weave through the units to encourage the development of musical skills as the learning progresses through listening and appraising, differing musical activities (including creating and exploring) and performing. Charanga Musical School Units of Work enable children to understand musical concepts through a repetition-based approach to learning. Learning about the same musical concept through different musical activities enables a more secure, deeper learning and mastery of musical skills.

Learning progression

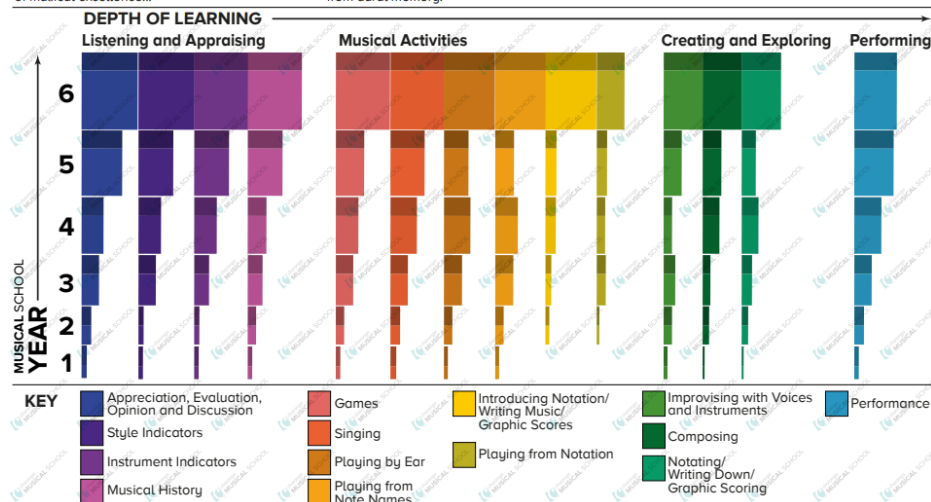
Depth of learning through Charanga Musical School

National Curriculum 2014:

"...learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence..."

"Pupils should be taught to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control. They should develop an understanding of musical composition, organising and manipulating ideas within musical structures and reproducing sounds from aural memory."

"Pupils should be taught to: play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression."



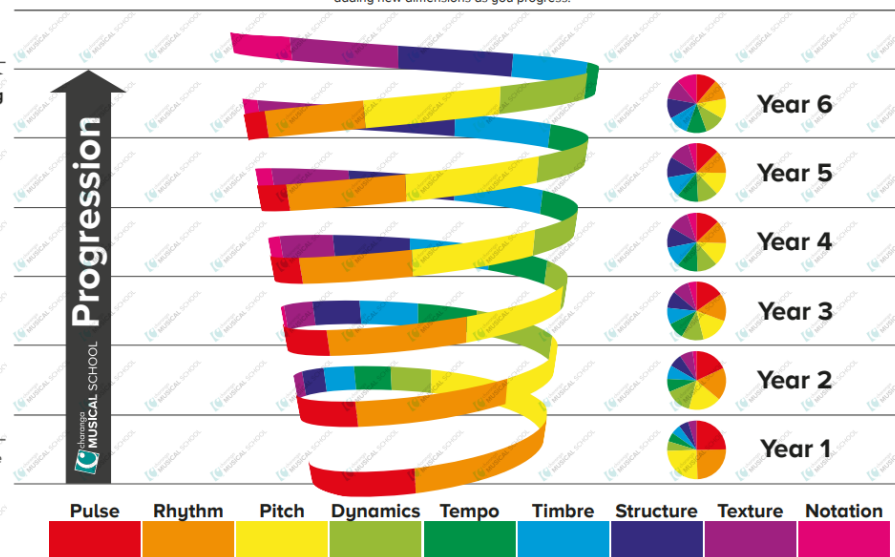
The Interrelated Dimensions of Music

Progression through Charanga Musical School

Progression throughout the Units of Work reinforces the interrelated dimensions of music.

With each new song, always start again with the foundation of pulse, then rhythm, then pitch, adding new dimensions as you progress.

This represents an ever increasing spiral of musical learning.





Skills	EYFS		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Listen & Respond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To learn that music can touch your feelings. To enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or Pop stars. 	Listen and Appraise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To learn how they can enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To learn how they can enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. To learn how songs can tell a story or describe an idea. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To confidently identify and move to the pulse. To think about what the words of a song mean. To take it in turn to discuss how the song makes them feel. Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music.



<p>Explore & Create</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are progressive Music Activities within each unit that embed pulse, rhythm and pitch. • Children listen to and work with the Games Track to complete the activities linked to the above. 	<p>Playing Instruments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat instruments carefully and with respect. • Play a tuned instrumental part with the song they perform. • Learn to play an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (a one-note part, a simple part, medium part). • Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat instruments carefully and with respect. • Learn to play a tuned instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (a one-note, simple or medium part). • Play the part in time with the steady pulse. • Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To treat instruments carefully and with respect. • Play any one, or all of four, differentiated parts on a tuned instrument – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song) from memory or using notation. • To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. • To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.
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		Improvisation	<p>Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clap and Improvise – Listen and clap back, then listen and clap your own answer (rhythms of words). 2. Sing, Play and Improvise – Use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play your own answer using one or two notes. 3. Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes. 	<p>Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clap and Improvise – Listen and clap back, then listen and clap your own answer (rhythms of words). 2. Sing, Play and Improvise – Use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play your own answer using one or two notes. <p>Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.</p>	<p>Improvise using instruments in the context of the song they are learning to perform. Using the improvisation tracks provided, children will complete the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bronze Challenge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Copy Back – Listen and sing back ○ Play and Improvise – Using instruments, listen and play your own answer using one note. ○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one note. ● Silver Challenge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, using two different notes. ○ Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using one or two notes. ○ Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes. ● Gold Challenge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, two different notes. ○ Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using two different notes.
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					o Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using three different notes.
Singing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To sing along with a pre-recorded song and add actions. To sing along with the backing track. 	Singing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about voices, singing notes of different pitches (high and low). Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap or say words in rhythm. Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about voices singing notes of different pitches (high and low). Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap (spoken word with rhythm). Learn to find a comfortable singing position. Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To sing in unison and in simple two-parts. To demonstrate a good singing posture. To follow a leader when singing. To enjoy exploring singing solo. To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. To have an awareness of the pulse internally when singing.



<p>Share & Perform</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform any of the nursery rhymes by singing and adding actions or dance. • Perform any nursery rhymes or songs adding a simple instrumental part. • Record the performance to talk about. 	<p>Composition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to create a simple melody using one, two or three notes. • Learn how the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help create three simple melodies with the Units using one, three or five different notes. • Learn how the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or five different notes. • Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song. • Talk about how it was created. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).
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		Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose a song they have learnt from the Scheme and perform it. They can add their ideas to the performance. Record the performance and say how they were feeling about it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose a song they have learnt from the Scheme and perform it. They can add their ideas to the performance. Record the performance and say how they were feeling about it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To choose what to perform and create a programme. To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit. To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why.
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