



Claremont Primary and Nursery School Music Curriculum

Year 6		
Charanga Strands	Substantive Knowledge	Disciplinary Knowledge (Think like a Musician)
Listen and Appraise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know five songs from memory, who sang or wrote them, when they were written and why? • To know the style of the songs and to name other songs from the Units in those styles. • To choose three or four other songs and be able to talk about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The style indicators of the songs (musical characteristics that give the songs their style) ○ The lyrics: what the songs are about ○ Any musical dimensions featured in the songs and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm, pitch and timbre) ○ Identify the structure of the songs (intro, verse, chorus etc.) ○ Name some of the instruments used in the songs ○ The historical context of the songs. What else was going on at this time, musically and historically? • Know and talk about that fact that we each have a musical identity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify and move to the pulse with ease. • To think about the message of songs. • To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences. • Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. • Use musical words when talking about the songs. • To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs. • Talk about the music and how it makes you feel, using musical language to describe the music.
Games	<p>Know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture and structure work together to create a song or music • How to keep the internal pulse • Musical Leadership: creating musical ideas for the group to copy or respond to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using three notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bronze Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find the pulse ○ Copy back rhythms based on the words of the main song, that include syncopation/off beat ○ Copy back one-note riffs using simple and syncopated rhythm patterns ● Silver Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find the pulse ○ Lead the class by inventing rhythms for others to copy back ○ Copy back two-note riffs by ear and with notation ○ Question and answer using two different notes ● Gold Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find the pulse ○ Lead the class by inventing rhythms for them to copy back ○ Copy back three-note riffs by ear and with notation Question and answer using three different notes
Singing	<p>To know and confidently sing five songs and their parts from memory, and to sing them with a strong internal pulse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know about the style of the songs so you can represent the feeling and context to your audience • To choose a song and be able to talk about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Its main features ○ Singing in unison, the solo, lead vocal, backing vocals or rapping ○ To know what the song is about and the meaning of the lyrics • To know and explain the importance of warming up your voice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals. • To demonstrate a good singing posture. • To follow a leader when singing. • To experience rapping and solo singing. • To listen to each other and be aware of how you fit into the group. • To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'.



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<p>Playing</p>	<p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different ways of writing music down – e.g. staff notation, symbols • The notes C, D, E, F, G, A, B + C on the treble stave • The instruments they might play or be played in a band or orchestra or by their friends 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song. • Select and learn an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts – 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. • To lead a rehearsal session.
<p>Improvisation</p>	<p>To know and be able to talk about improvisation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot • When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to them. • To know that using one, two or three notes confidently is better than using five • To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake • To know that you can use some of the riffs and licks you have learnt in the Challenges in your improvisations • To know three well-known improvising musicians 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvise using instruments in the context of a song to be performed. Use the improvisation tracks provided and improvise using the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Play and Copy Back <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bronze – Copy back using instruments. Use one note. ○ Silver – Copy back using instruments. Use the two notes. ○ Gold – Copy back using instruments. Use the three notes. 2. Play and Improvise You will be using up to three notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bronze – Question and Answer using instruments. Use one note in your answer. ○ Silver – Question and Answer using instruments. Use two notes in your answer. Always start on a G. ○ Gold – Question and Answer using instruments. Use three notes in your answer. Always start on a G. 3. Improvisation! You will be using up to three notes. The notes will be provided on-screen and in the lesson plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bronze – Improvise using one note. ○ Silver – Improvise using two notes. ○ Gold – Improvise using three notes. <p>Classroom Jazz 2 – Improvise with a feeling for the style of Bossa Nova and Swing using the notes D, E, G, A + B (pentatonic scale/a five-note pattern)</p>
<p>Composition</p>	<p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A composition: music that is created by you and kept in some way. It's like writing a story. It can be played or performed again to your friends. • A composition has pulse, rhythm and pitch that work together and are shaped by tempo, dynamics, texture and structure • Notation: recognise the connection between sound and symbol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song. • Explain the keynote or home note and the structure of the melody. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).
<p>Performance</p>	<p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing is sharing music with an audience with belief • A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other • Everything that will be performed must be planned and learned • You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence • A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know • It is planned and different for each occasion • A performance involves communicating ideas, thoughts and feelings about the song/music 	<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 venue and how to use it to best effect. • To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance. • To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?”



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Key Vocabulary	style indicators, melody, compose, improvise, cover, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, structure, dimensions of music, Neo Soul, producer, groove, Motown, hook, riff, solo, Blues, J azz, improvise/ improvisation, by ear, melody, riff, solo, ostinato, phrases, unison, Urban Gospel, civil rights, gender equality, unison, harmony.
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