

Alfriston School - Music Vocabulary

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Pearl Class (EYFS)					
Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
<u>Exploring Sound</u> voice, voice sounds , sound, instrument, loud, quiet, high, low, squeaky, soft, deep, body sounds, body percussion, tempo, fast, slow, rhythm, beat, instrumental sounds, tempo, quickly, slowly, dynamic, loudly, quietly, environmental sounds, pitch, middle, nature sounds	<u>Celebration Music</u> music, dance, tempo, move, Diwali, celebration, traditional, Hanukkah, Hora, kinnor, harp, flute, Jewish, trumpet, cymbals, tambourine, shofar, Kwanzaa, Africa, culture, call, response, drum, rhythm, beat, instrument, Christmas, Christian, sleigh bells, actions, action songs, voice sounds, body percussion	<u>Transport</u> car, boat, train, beat, fast, slow, speed, cruise, rowing, water, symbols, slower, faster, stopping, journey, score	<u>Musical Stories</u> classical music, pitch, high, low, tempo, fast, slow, dynamic, loud, quiet, musical story, lyrics, melody, character, instrument, song, actions, percussion, compose, perform, performance	<u>Music and Movement</u> actions, action songs, sign language, Makaton, deaf, communication, communicating, understand, lyrics, verse, beat, music, heartbeat, pulse, steady, repeat, constant, drum, piece, composer, tempo, fast, moderate, medium, slow, dance, pitch, high, low, sound, whistle, triangle, siren, cello, perform, performance, audience	<u>Big Band</u> music, musical instrument, band, sound, shake, tap, bang, strum, jingle, tempo, dynamic, pitch, beat, orchestra, sound, rhythm, beat, conductor, wind, strings, percussion, brass

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Ruby Class (Year 1 & 2) - Cycle A

<p><u>Keeping the Pulse</u> (Theme: My Favourite Things) pulse singing voice speaking voice thinking voice</p>	<p><u>Tempo</u> (Theme: Snail and Mouse) beat fast singing voice slow speaking voice warm up</p>	<p><u>Pitch</u> (Theme: Superheroes) high low pattern performance pitch tempo</p>	<p><u>Instruments</u> (Theme: Musical Storytelling) dynamics encore instrumental sound sound effect tempo</p>	<p><u>Singing</u> (Theme: On this Island) composer composition dynamics inspiration pitch tempo phrase</p>	<p><u>Pitch</u> (Theme: Musical Me) dot high low musical sentence notation phrase pitch pitch pattern stave</p>
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Ruby Class (Year 1 & 2) - Cycle B

<p><u>Dynamics</u> (Theme: Seaside) dynamics instrument seaside soundscape symbol volume</p>	<p><u>Sound Patterns</u> (Theme: Fairy Tales) character voice sound pattern</p>	<p><u>African Call and Response</u> (Theme: Animals) call and response dynamics sound pattern</p>	<p><u>Musical Symbols</u> (Theme: Under the Sea) dynamics pitch rest sound pattern tempo</p>	<p><u>Contrasting Dynamics</u> (Theme: Space) composer dynamics pitch pattern planet representation soundscape tempo</p>	<p><u>Structure</u> (Theme: Myths and Legends) one-beat notes composition paired half-beat notes legend myth notation pulse rest rhythm structure tempo thinking voice</p>
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Sapphire Class (Year 3 & 4) - Cycle A

Musical Instrument Learning with Create Music

- Names of instruments (eg. **violin, cello, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, xylophone**, drums) and instrumental families (**strings, woodwind, brass, percussion**)
- Musical elements and staff notation, eg. pulse, rhythm, **duration**, pitch, tempo, dynamics, **texture, timbre, legato, staccato**

Sapphire Class (Year 3 & 4) - Cycle B

<p><u>Developing Singing Technique</u> (Theme: Vikings) accuracy, backing track, beat, body percussion, call and response, co-ordinated, crotchet, discipline, duration, dynamics, in-time, in-tune, layer, lyrics, key change, major key, minim, minor key, notation, part, pulse, quaver, rehearse, rhythm, rhythmic notation, sound effects, stave notation, tempo, tension, tune, vocal warm-up</p>	<p><u>Body and Tuned Percussion</u> (Theme: Rainforests) body percussion, combine, compose, contrasting rhythms, dynamics, inspiration, layers, loop, organisation, repeated melodies, melody line, pitch, record, rhythm, sections, structure, tempo, texture, tune, tuned percussion</p>	<p><u>Pentatonic Melodies and Composition</u> (Theme: Chinese New Year) accuracy, crescendo, control, composition, duration, dynamics, expression, features, fluency, folk music, glockenspiel, grid notation, harmony, layered melodies, letter notation, melody, musical terminology, notation, notes, octaves, pentatonic melody, pentatonic scale, phrases, scale, timbre, tempo, untuned percussion</p>	<p><u>Changes in Pitch, Tempo and Dynamics</u> (Theme: Rivers) a capella, breath control, cue, diction, directing, dynamics, expression, harmony line, layer, melody, mood, notation, opinion, ostinato, percussion, in the round, parts, rhythm, staff notation, tempo, texture, vocal ostinato</p>	<p><u>Traditional Instruments and Improvisation</u> (Theme: India) Bollywood, compose, drone, dynamics, harmonium, improvise, Indian flute, lyrics, melodic line, notation, opinion, pitch, repeated rhythm, rhythm, rag, sarangi, sitar, tabla, tala, tempo</p>	<p><u>Samba and Carnival Sounds and Instruments</u> agogo, bateria, caixa, carnival, chocalho, composition, crescendo, cowbell, dynamics, ensemble, features, ganza, influenced, metronome, off-beat, percussion, pulse, repique, rhythm, rhythmic break, samba, samba breaks, structure, surdo, syncopated rhythms, tamborim, texture, unison, untuned percussion</p>
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Emerald Class (Year 5 & 6) - Cycle A

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<p><u>Film Music</u> accelerando, Body percussion, brass, characteristics, chords, chromatics, clashing, composition, conversation, convey, crescendo, descending, dynamics, emotion, evoke, features, imagery, improvise, interpret, interval, major, melodic, melody, military, minor, modulate, musical, orchestral, pitch, polished, sequence, solo, soundtrack, symbol, timpani, tension, texture, tremolo, unison, urgency</p>	<p><u>Composition Notation</u> (Theme: Ancient Egypt) accuracy, backing track, balance, composition, control, crotchet, dotted minim, ensemble, expression, features, fluency, lyrics, minim, minor key, notation, parts, pitch, pitch notation, quaver, repeating, rhythm, semibreve, sheet music, staff notation, stave, structure, tempo, tune, tuned percussion, unison, vocal warm-ups</p>	<p><u>Musical Theatre</u> action song, backdrop, book musical, character song, choreographer, composer, comic opera, costumes, designer, dialogue, director, duet, ensemble, hip-hop musical, jukebox musical, librettist, libretto, lyricist, musical director, musical theatre, opera, operetta, performers, props, rock musical, scene, solo, tempo, timbre, transitions</p>	<p><u>Theme and Variations</u> (Theme: Pop Art) 3/4 time, 4/4 time, accidentals, body percussion, diaphragm, legato, motif, orchestra, percussion, phrases, pitch, pizzicato, pulse, quaver, rhythm, rhythmic elements, section, semi-quaver, staccato, tempo, theme, TIKI-TIKI, TI-TIKI, TIKI-TI, translate, variations, vocal line, woodwind</p>	<p><u>Songs of World War 2</u> accuracy, backing track, compare, contrast, complement, control, counter-melody, diaphragm, dynamics, era, expression, features, graphic score, harmony, harmonise, lyrics, melody, melody line, morale, notate, octave, parts, performance techniques, phrase, phrasing, pitch, purpose, score, Solfa, Solfa ladder, tempo</p>	<p><u>Baroque</u> Baroque, bass clef, bass instrument, canon, counter melody, counter-subject, fugue, ground bass, improvise, melodic ostinato, melody, musical structure, opera, ostinato part, pitch, polyphonic, oratorio, recitative, a round, rhythmic ostinato, sharp note, staff notation, subject, texture</p>

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<p><u>Looping and Remixing</u> accuracy, backbeat, body percussion, fragment, layers, loop, looped rhythm, melody, melody line, notation, ostinato, remix, rhythm, riff, structure</p>	<p><u>Blues</u> 12-bar blues, ascending scale, backing track, bar, bent notes, blues, blues scale, chord, convey, descending scale, expression, features, flat, improvisation, lyrics, pitch, quavers, scale, sharp, solo, staff notation</p>	<p><u>Dynamics, Pitch and Texture</u> (Theme: Coast – Fingal’s Cave by Mendelssohn) classical, characterise, composition, conductor, depict, dynamics, ensemble, graphic score, improvisation, notation, orchestra, pitch, texture</p>	<p><u>Composition to represent the Festival of Colour</u> (Theme: Holi Festival) dynamics, graphic score, inspiration, layering, mood, pitch, represent, soundtrack, synaesthesia, tempo, texture, timbre, visual representation, vocal sounds</p>	<p><u>South and West Africa</u> a capella, break, call and response, chords, chord progression, diction, djembe, duo, dynamics, eight-beat break, ensemble, expression, improvisation, major chord, master drummer, metronome, performance, polyrhythms, pronunciation, pulse, ostinato, rests, rhythm, soloist, syncopation, tempo, tuned percussion, unaccompanied, vocals</p>	<p><u>Composing and Performing</u> allegro, arrangement, backing track, chorus, chord progression, compose, crescendo, diminuendo, dynamics, evaluate, forte, largo, lyrics, melody, mood, musical features, notation, piano, poetic structure, repetitive, rhyme, ritardando, tempo, sequence, stave notation, structure, upbeat, verse</p>
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