

Music Key Skills Progression Ladder FS – Year 2

	FS	Year 1	Year 2
Use of voice expressively and creatively	Sing echo songs and perform movements to a steady beat. Explore singing at different speeds and pitch to create moods and feelings. Discover how to use the voice to create loud and soft sounds.	Explore the use of the voice in different ways such as speaking, singing and chanting. Discover how the voice can produce rhythm and pulse, high and low (pitch) to create different effects. Find out how to sing with expression, confidence and creativity to an audience.	Sing with a sense of the shape of a melody. To represent sounds with symbols. To improvise in making sounds with the voice. Perform songs using creativity and expression and create dramatic effect.
Play tuned and untuned instruments	Play instruments to a steady beat. Understand how to hold and play an instrument with care. Explore the different sounds instruments make. Choose an instrument to create a specific sound	Play instruments showing an awareness of others. Repeat and investigate simple beats and rhythms. Learn to play sounds linking with symbols. Understand how to play an instrument with care and attention.	Perform simple patterns and accompaniments keeping to a steady pulse. Recognise and explore how sounds can be organised. Respond to starting points that have been given Understand how to control playing a musical instrument so that they sound, as they should.
Listen with concentration and understanding	Express feelings in music by responding to different moods in a musical score. Listen to music and respond by using hand and whole body movements. Listen to different sounds (animal noise, water etc.) and respond with voice and movement.	Choose sounds to represent different things (ideas, thoughts, feelings, moods etc.). Reflect on music and say how it makes people feel, act and move. Respond to different composers and discuss different genres of music.	Notice how music can be used to create different moods and effects and to communicate ideas. Listen and understand how to improve own composition. Sort composers in to different genres and instruments in to different types.
Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds	Choose different instruments, including the voice, to create sound effects in play. Investigate a variety of ways to create sound with different materials. Experiment performing songs and music together with body movements to a steady beat.	Create a sequence of long and short sounds with help, including clapping longer rhythms. Investigate making sounds that are very different (loud and quiet, high and low etc.). Explore own ideas and change as desired.	Choose carefully and order sounds in a beginning, middle and end. Use sounds to achieve an effect. (including use of ICT) Create short musical patterns. Investigate long and short sounds Explore changes in pitch to communicate an idea.