



WATERVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

MUSIC			
Year Group	NC Objectives	Skills	Knowledge
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.• Play un-tuned instruments musically.• Listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music.• Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen to music with sustained concentration.• Find the pulse whilst listening to music and using movement.• Listen to, copy and repeat a simple rhythm or melody.• Learn and perform chants, rhythms, raps and songs.• Learn to follow the conductor or band leader.• Sing songs musically and understand how to warm up and project the voice whilst demonstrating good posture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognise different instruments.• Use the correct musical language to describe a piece of music.• Discuss feelings and emotions linked to different pieces of music.• Begin to understand that the rhythm is a mixture of long and short sounds that happen over the pulse.• Understand that pitch describes how high or low sounds are.• Understand that tempo describes how fast or slow the music is.• Understand that dynamics describe how loud or quiet the music is.• Learn and perform chants, rhythms, raps and songs.



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Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.• Play tuned and un-tuned instruments musically.• Listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music.• Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music.• Build an understanding of the pulse and internalise it when listening to a piece of music.• Improvise a simple rhythm using different instruments including the voice.• Use his/her voice expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes with growing confidence.• Sing a song in two parts.• Use tuned and un-tuned classroom percussion to play accompaniments and tunes.• Use tuned and un-tuned classroom percussion to compose and improvise.• Play instruments using the correct techniques with respect.• Practise, rehearse and present performances to audiences with a growing awareness of the people watching.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand that timbre describes the character or quality of a sound.• Understand that texture describes the layers within the music.• Understand that structure describes how different sections of music are ordered.• Begin to describe a piece of music using a developing understanding of the interrelated musical dimensions.• Develop an understanding of melody, the words and their importance in the music being listened to.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music.	
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.• Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.• Understand staff and other musical notations.• Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen with direction to a range of high quality music.• Find the pulse within the context of different songs/music with ease.• Sing songs with multiple parts with increasing confidence.• Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts with confidence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confidently recognise a range of musical instruments.• Understand that improvisation is when a composer makes up a tune within boundaries.• Understand that composition is when a composer writes down and records a musical idea.• Develop an understanding of formal, written notation which includes crotchets and rests.• Begin to listen to and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.



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Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.• Understand staff and other musical notations.• Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.• Develop an understanding of the history of music.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use musical language to appraise a piece or style of music.• Copy increasingly challenging rhythms using body percussion and untuned instruments where appropriate.• Sing as part of an ensemble with confidence and precision.• Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts with increasing confidence.• Listen to and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confidently recognise a range of musical instruments and the different sounds they make.• Confidently recognise and explore a range of musical styles and traditions and know their basic style indicators.• Develop an understanding of formal, written notation which includes minims and quavers.
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.• Use and understand staff and other musical notations.• Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improvise with increasing confidence using own voice, rhythms and varied pitch.• Sing as part of an ensemble with increasing confidence and precision.• Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts with some accuracy, control, fluency and expression.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compose complex rhythms from an increasing aural memory.• Understand how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together.• Use and develop an understanding of formal, written notation which includes staff, semibreves and dotted crotchets.• Develop an increasing understanding of the



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	<p>recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improve and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.		<p>history and context of music.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.• Improve and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music.• Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.• Use and understand staff and other musical notations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sing as part of an ensemble with full confidence and precision.• Play and perform in solo or ensemble contexts with increasing accuracy, control, fluency and expression.• Create a simple composition and record using formal notation.• Appropriately discuss the dimensions of music and recognise them in music heard.• Improve and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop a deeper understanding of the history and context of music.• Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory and accuracy.• Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.• Deepen an understanding and use of formal, written notation which includes



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