

Music at Abingdon Primary School



Our Bespoke Drivers



Role Models of all
protected
characteristics



Accessing our local
area and all it offers



The Power of Word



We began our music lesson by listening to the song "Hands, Feet, Heart." (T) asked the children to respond to the music. Have a look at some of their responses.



"I hear piano."



"I felt calm in the tiny bits where it went low."



"Happy"



"It made me feel like jiggling around."



How is Learning Across Our School Sequenced?



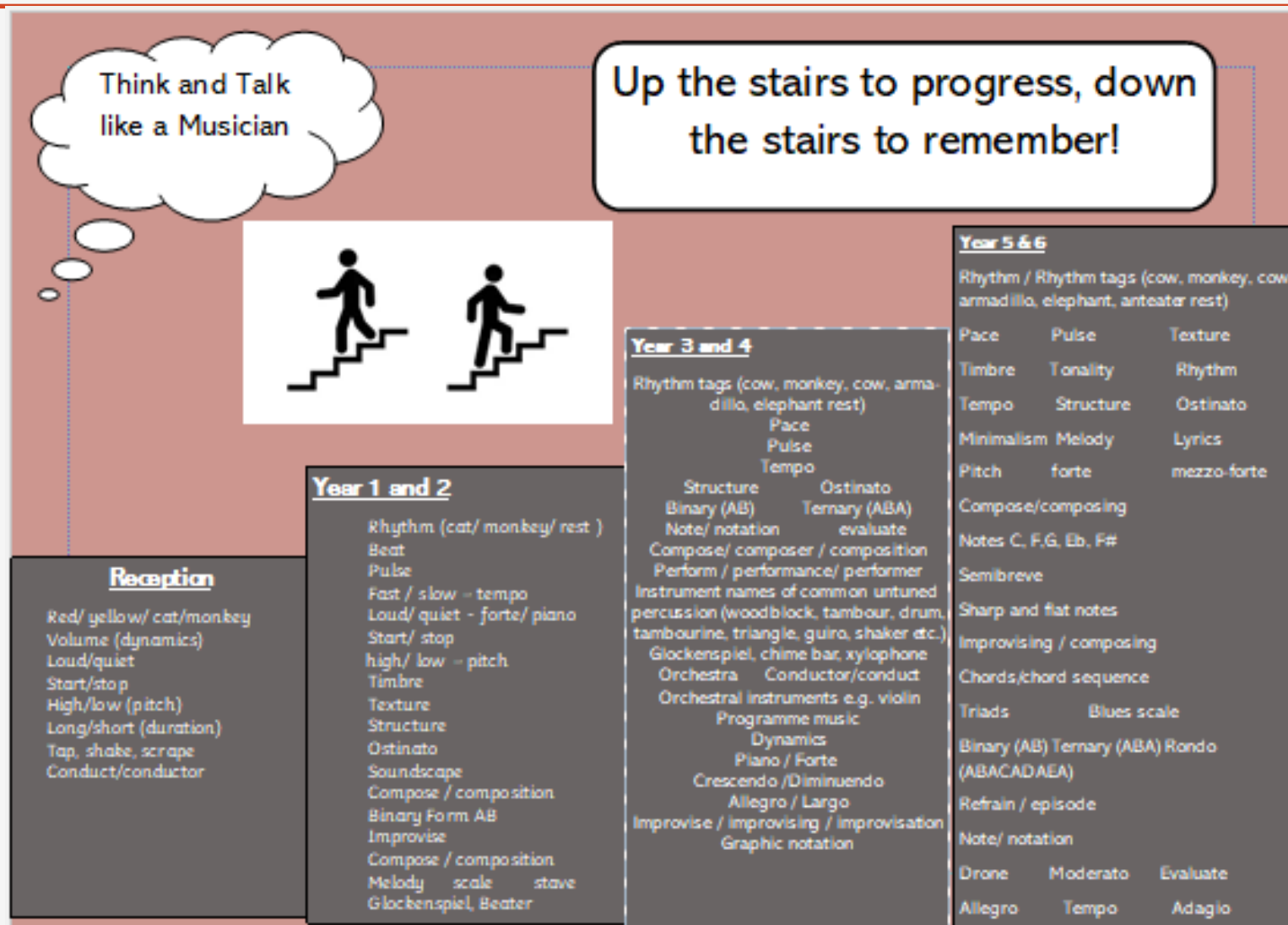
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Abingdon Primary School/Stockport Music Overview

	Reception	YEAR 1/2(A)	YEAR 1/2B	YEAR 3/4 (A)	YEAR 3/4 (B)	YEAR 5/6(A)	YEAR 5/6(B) <input type="checkbox"/>
Autumn 1	Finding your voice and Rhythm and composition R red / yellow cat / monkey	Rhythm and composition A Storytime cat / monkey / rest	Rhythm and composition B Sequences cat / monkey / rest / cow	Rhythm and composition 1 Binary AB cat / monkey / rest / cow / armadillo	Rhythm and composition 2 Ternary ABA cat / monkey / rest / cow / armadillo / elephant	Rhythm and composition 3 Rondo ABACA cat / monkey / rest / cow / armadillo / elephant / anteater	Rhythm and composition 4 Song Writing – The Blues cat / monkey / rest / cow / armadillo / elephant / anteater / semibreve
Autumn 2	Ensemble singing and performance						
Spring 1	Exploring and Performing R	Playing and Performing A	Playing and Performing B	Playing and Performing instruments 1	Playing and Performing instruments 2	Playing and Performing instruments 3	Playing and Performing instruments 4
Spring 2				Ensemble singing and performance with instruments	Ensemble singing and performance with instruments	Ensemble singing and performance with instruments	Ensemble singing and performance with instruments
Summer 1	Inter-related dimensions of music R The World Around Us	Inter-related dimensions of music A Sounds Interesting	Inter-related dimensions of music B Selecting & Combining Sounds	Inter-related dimensions of music 1 Graphic Notation	Inter-related dimensions of music 2 Programme Music	Inter-related dimensions of music 3 Word Rhythms	Inter-related dimensions of music 4 A Night on the Bare Mountain
Summer 2	Musical appreciation and singing (ensemble, solo, duet and small group performance)						

The scheme of music is written as 3 complete units of 6-7 lessons (Autumn 1, Spring 1 and Summer 1) which have detailed lesson plans and resources. The remaining 2-3

Vocabulary Progression



This links to The Power of Word – understanding the power that vocabulary can have.

How are knowledge and skills built on through school?

NC Progression grids are part of the Stockport scheme to track the progress of each element of the music curriculum. This is an example.

Name: _____



Music National Curriculum Tracking Grid – KS2

Key Skills	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Rhythm work				Learn the correct names for all note values from a semiquaver to a semibreve. If confident add compound rhythms, see below.
Sol-fa work <small>Not compulsory but best practice</small>	Soh me lah doh re	Soh me lah doh re doh'	Soh me lah doh re doh' te	Soh me lah doh re doh' te fah
Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression MMC	Play in class ensemble using tuned and untuned percussion Sing regularly working on dynamic contrasts Sing a widening range of unison songs doh – soh Perform as a choir in assembly Develop ability in playing tuned	Play in class ensemble with a sense of what's going on in the whole group Sing contrasting styles of songs using different tempi and dynamics Sing rounds or partner songs in different time signatures. Sing repertoire with small and large leaps and introduce a simple second part	Play in ensemble with increased leadership skills and sense of what's going on in the whole group Perform/sing a solo Sing echo and part songs Sing a broad range of songs with a sense of ensemble and performance Sing three part rounds	Perform/sing a solo with increased confidence and control Sing in parts, 2 & 3 part rounds Make all performances as expressive as possible Sing a broad range of songs, including those that involve syncopated rhythms, as part of a choir Sing three and four part rounds

	percussion or a melodic instrument *	Develop facility in the basic skills of a selected instrument over a sustained period*	Understand how triads are formed and play them. Perform simple chordal accompaniments to familiar songs	Engage with others through ensemble playing
Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music MMC	Improvise using all known rhythm tags Compose a piece in binary form AB Become more skilled at improvising, inventing "on the spot" responses Structure musical ideas. Compose in response to different stimuli and sources Compose song accompaniments on untuned percussion	Improvise using all known rhythm tags Compose a piece in ternary form ABA Improvise on the instrument you are now learning. (It assumes you are doing wider opps in this year group) Make compositional decisions about the structure of improvisations Explore developing knowledge of musical components by composing music to create a specific mood	Improvise and then develop a composition from this. Be aware of different textures and timbres Improvise freely over a drone, using tuned percussion over melodic instruments Improvise over a groove, responding to the beat Compose melodies made from pairs of phrases in either C major or A minor Compose a ternary piece	Create a composition from a given or chosen stimulus that shows understanding of the inter-related dimensions of music Extend improvisation skills to create music with multiple sections Use chord changes in improvisation Compose 8 or 16 beat melodic phrases using a pentatonic melody* Compose melodies in G major or E minor Compose a ternary piece using available music software

Rhythm and Composition
Unit 3 Rondo composition

Substantive Knowledge
(First Order Concepts)

Identify the different value of notes.
Count and measure rhythm and pace.
Recognise different tempo, structure and texture.

Disciplinary Knowledge (Second Order Concepts)

How we keep pace and tempo, change dynamics and pitch to create different sounds and effects.

Class Resources

(It is worth every class having their own dedicated set of resources - to be stored in class music box)

- **Rhythm flash cards (cat, monkey etc.)**
- **Rhythm pattern flash cards**
- **Instrument flash cards**
- **Interrelated dimensions of music - Glossary of terms (dynamics, pitch, timbre, tempo etc.)**
- **Music star cards (for classroom management – hand to focus pupil/ group to guarantee a performance in that lesson)**

Golden Threads:

These will be revisited constantly across all taught music sessions and most lessons will directly refer to at least 2 of these skills.

Music skills:








- Rhythm
- Performance
- Composition
- Musical appreciation

Music Concepts:








- Dynamics (volume)
- Tempo (speed)
- Pitch (high and low)
- Duration (note values long or short)
- Structure (introduction, chorus, bridge)
- Texture (orchestral, duet, solo etc.)

Medium
term
plans -
example







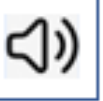




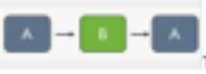
Prior learning is shown in the progression grids and the class floor books from previous years. Discussions are had at the start of each new unit to ensure that the learning starts where necessary. Staff can go back to any relevant gaps in their classes learning and have time to do so due so if necessary due to the number of weeks allocated across the term. The rhythm cards also support previous learning through dual coded images (see progression)

			
Cat Crotchet	Monkey 2 Quavers	Rest	Cow Minim (2 beats)
			Using a steady pulse in 4/4 time, teach the rhythm tags in order, starting with Cat (1 beat), Monkey (2 notes in the beat, e.g. each note is worth half a beat, armadillo a quarter etc.) Cow is worth 2 beats and is taught as an elongated word.
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We use rhythm cards across the whole school to support the children's acquisition of musical notation and inter related dimensions of music

 Pupil Vocabulary Organiser –Music LKS2 IDM 1 Year 3	
What I already know that will help me: Words Orchestra Conductor Orchestral instruments e.g. violin Piano / Forte Allegro / Largo Improvise / improvising / improvisation Compose/composing/composition	Word components and phonic knowledge Piano / Forte -ay Crescendo - silent c Orchestra – c not ch
New vocabulary for this study – words specific for History	
Know  Link  analyse 	 Use and apply in a sentence 
Dynamics Dynamics means how quietly or loudly a piece of music should be played	 I can hear that dynamics in the music change. It starts quietly and becomes louder
Crescendo Gradually increasing in loudness.	 I am going to play a short crescendo on the tambourine.
Diminuendo decreasing in loudness.	 There is a diminuendo chorus just before the final part.
Tempo The speed or pace of a piece of music measured in beats per minute	 The tempo of the music is allegro, it is 120 bpm.
Structure How a piece of music is organised into different sections  Binary  Ternary	In the piece of music, I can work out the structure. It has 3 sections – A B then A again -so it is ternary.

Vocabulary builders are used in the class book as a reminder of the key language for all.

Vocabulary is introduced, modelled and repeated through planned learning opportunities to embed its use

Whole School Musical Events

On top of our music curriculum we support the children to perform in different ways whether that is in nativity/end of year performances or assemblies, or more specific in our Rocksteady Club, Woodwind lessons through Music for schools, Abingdon Singers, Recorder Club or recorder lessons in class.



Key Learning

In each subject we have identified the key learning we want the children to know. This is shared with the children with 'key' images.



Key Learning **Music Cycle A Summer 1 KS1 IDM A**



1. To play tuned percussion correctly keeping to a pulse and reading appropriate notation



2. To describe and create loud and soft, high and low, fast and slow sounds.



3. They will learn about timbre, structure and texture, and will perform their own short compositions



4 Know what the different inter-related dimensions of music are and use them to create music



5. Compose their own music and perform for the class

Assessment

We use a number of formative assessment strategies in music:

Live marking/feedback

Concept maps

Quizzes

Verbal questioning

Speaking and listening opportunities

We use Seesaw to save musical performances and any other evidence.

Through Seesaw we make QR codes for the floor books so that the video evidence can be watched again



We assess the children against the key learning in each unit.

Assessment	
Working below expectation	Working above expectation
All other children have met expectations	

Challenge and Adaptations

We believe that music should be accessible for all. Adaptations are planned into lessons. They might look like:

Use of additional resources – scaffolding (e.g. Visual representations – Dual coding, assisted technology, assisted instruments)

Teacher expertise – e.g.; additional processing time, use of talk partners, scribing, modelling. I do , we do you do

Referring back to previous learning and vocabulary. Pre teaching vocabulary

Use of visits and visitors.

High quality teaching benefits pupils with SEND

The 'Five-a-day' principle



The research underpinning the EEF's guidance report 'Special Educational Needs in Mainstream Schools' indicates that supporting high quality teaching improves outcomes for pupils with SEND. Five specific approaches—the 'Five-a-day' indicated below—are particularly well-evidenced as having a positive impact. Teachers should develop a repertoire of these strategies, which they can use daily and flexibly in response to individual needs, using them as the starting point for classroom teaching for all pupils, including those with SEND.

1 Explicit instruction

Teacher-led approaches with a focus on clear explanations, modelling and frequent checks for understanding. This is then followed by guided practice, before independent practice.



2 Cognitive and metacognitive strategies

Managing cognitive load is crucial if new content is to be transferred into students' long-term memory. Provide opportunities for students to plan, monitor and evaluate their own learning.



3 Scaffolding

When students are working on a written task, provide a supportive tool or resource such as a writing frame or a partially completed example. Aim to provide less support of this nature throughout the course of the lesson, week or term.



4 Flexible grouping

Allocate groups temporarily, based on current level of mastery. This could, for example, be a group that comes together to get some additional spelling instruction based on current need, before re-joining the main class.



5 Using technology

Technology can be used by a teacher to model worked examples; it can be used by a student to help them to learn, to practice and to record their learning. For instance, you might use a class visualiser to share students' work or to jointly rework an incorrect model.

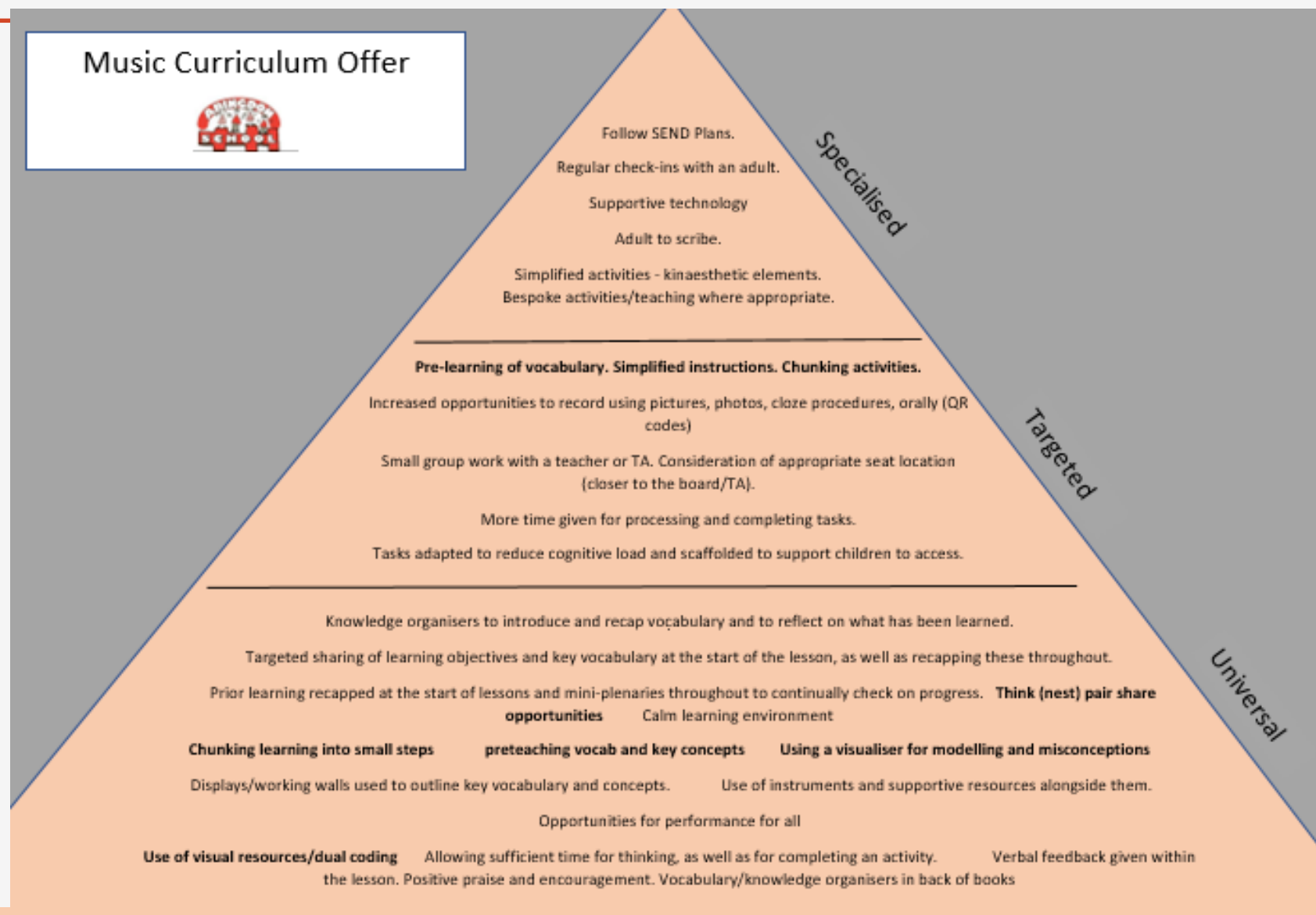


We use the Five a day principle alongside our own current focuses for adaptations:

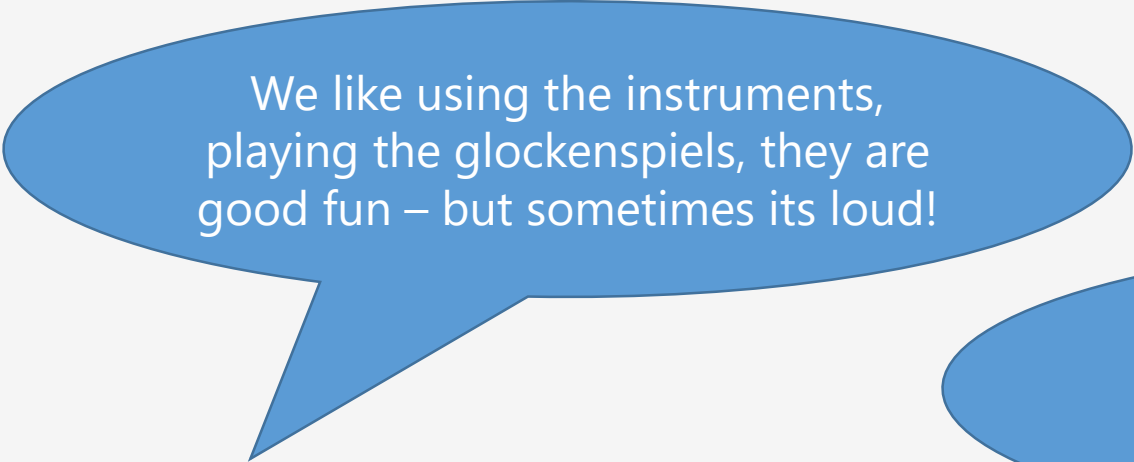
- 1) "Nest/Pair/Share"
- 2) Pre-teaching of vocabulary and any key concepts
- 3) Visual resources and dual coding across the whole school
- 4) Chunking learning
- 5) Using the visualiser for modelling and misconceptions

Provision Pyramids

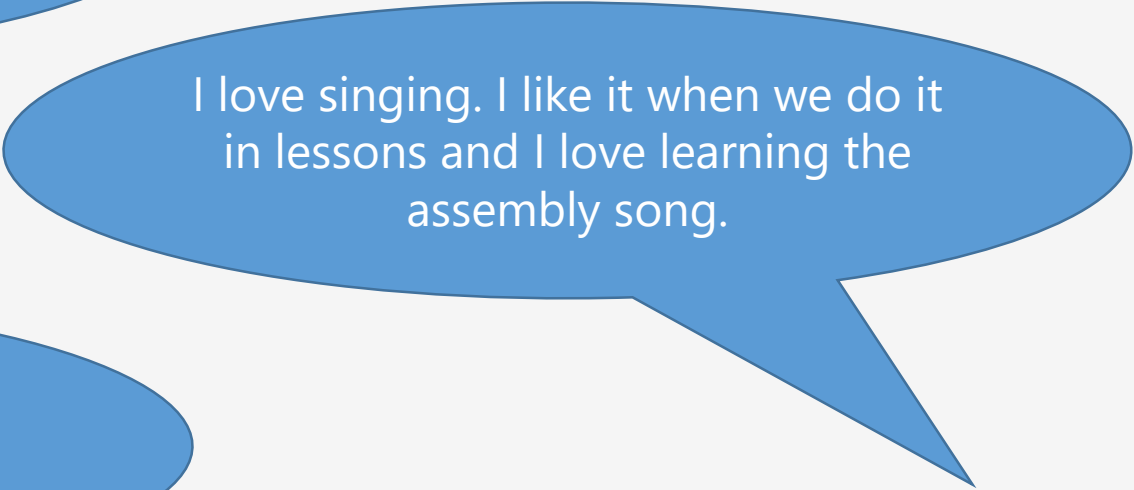
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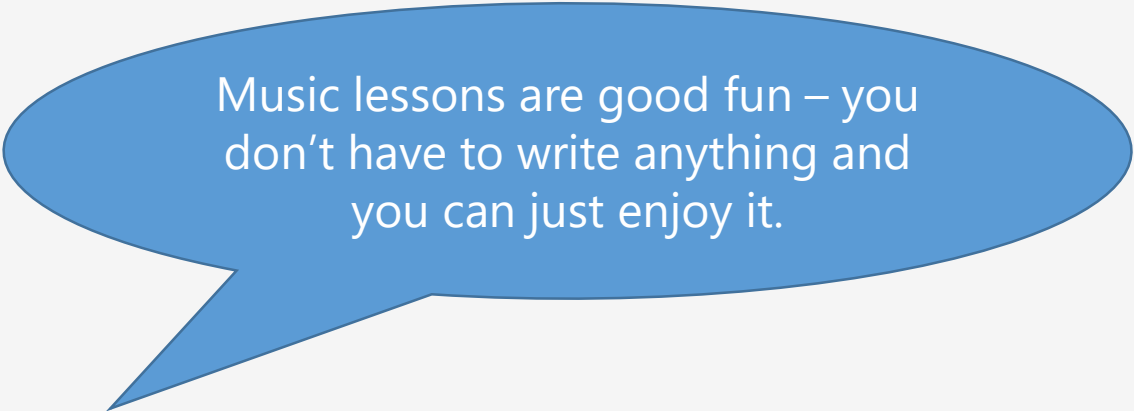
What do our children say about our curriculum?

A blue speech bubble with a tail pointing towards the top-left.

We like using the instruments, playing the glockenspiels, they are good fun – but sometimes its loud!

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I love singing. I like it when we do it in lessons and I love learning the assembly song.

A blue speech bubble with a tail pointing towards the bottom-left.

Music lessons are good fun – you don't have to write anything and you can just enjoy it.