


# Year 1 Knowledge Organiser




## Model Music Curriculum



### Key Knowledge

Singing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sing simple songs, <b>chants</b> and rhymes (e.g. Boom Chicka Boom) from memory, singing collectively and at the same <b>pitch</b>, responding to simple visual directions (e.g. stop, start, loud, quiet) and counting in</li> <li>• Begin with simple songs with a very small range, <b>mi-so</b> (e.g. Hello, How are You), and then slightly wider (e.g. Bounce High, Bounce Low). Include <b>pentatonic</b> songs (e.g. Dr Knickerbocker)</li> <li>• Sing a wide range of <b>call and response</b> songs (e.g. Pretty Trees Around the World from Rhythms of Childhood), to control vocal pitch and to match the pitch they hear with accuracy.</li> </ul>
Listening	See the two yearly St Monica's Recorded Music Schedule
Composing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improvise simple vocal chants, using <b>question</b> and <b>answer</b> phrases</li> <li>• Create musical sound effects and short <b>sequences</b> of sounds in response to stimuli, e.g. a rainstorm or a train journey. Combine to make a story, choosing and playing classroom instruments (e.g. rainmaker) or sound-makers (e.g. rustling leaves)</li> <li>• Understand the difference between creating a rhythm pattern and a <b>pitch</b> pattern</li> <li>• Invent, retain and recall <b>rhythm</b> and pitch patterns and perform these for others, taking turns</li> <li>• Use music technology, if available, to capture, change and combine sounds</li> <li>• Recognise how graphic notation can represent created sounds. Explore and invent own symbols, for example:</li> </ul> <div>  </div>

## Musicianship

Pulse/Beat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walk, move or clap a steady <b>beat</b> with others, changing the speed of the beat as the <b>tempo</b> of the music changes</li> <li>• Use <b>body percussion</b>, (e.g. clapping, tapping, walking) and <b>classroom percussion</b> (shakers, sticks and blocks, etc.), playing repeated rhythm patterns (<b>ostinati</b>) and short, pitched patterns on <b>tuned instruments</b> (e.g. glockenspiels or chime bars) to maintain a steady beat</li> <li>• Respond to the <b>pulse</b> in recorded/live music through movement and dance, e.g. o Stepping (e.g. Mattachins from Capriol Suite by Warlock), o Jumping (e.g. Trepak from The Nutcracker by Tchaikovsky) o Walking on tiptoes (e.g. Scherzo from The Firebird Suite by Stravinsky).</li> </ul>
Rhythm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perform short copycat rhythm patterns accurately, led by the teacher</li> <li>• Perform short repeating rhythm patterns (ostinati) while keeping in time with a steady beat</li> <li>• Perform word-pattern chants (e.g. ca-ter-pil-lar crawl, fish and chips); create, retain and perform their own rhythm patterns.</li> </ul> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  <p>Ca-ter- pil- lar crawl</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  <p>Fish and chips</p> </div> </div>
Pitch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listen to sounds in the local school environment, comparing high and low sounds</li> <li>• Sing familiar songs in both low and high voices and talk about the difference in sound</li> <li>• Explore percussion sounds to enhance storytelling, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o ascending xylophone notes to suggest Jack climbing the beanstalk,</li> <li>o quiet sounds created on a rainstick/shakers to depict a shower,</li> <li>o regular strong beats played on a drum to replicate menacing footsteps</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Follow pictures and symbols to guide singing and playing, e.g. 4 dots = 4 taps on the drum.</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">  </div>