Higham Ferrers Nursery and Infant School Curriculum Key Skills and Knowledge

Music

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Expressive Arts and Design - Composing		Composing	
 Can they make a range of sounds with their voice? Can they make a range of sounds with instruments? 	 Can they represent sounds pictorially? Can they make a range of sounds with their voice? Can they make a range of sounds with instruments? 	 Can they identify changes in sounds? Can they tell the difference between long and short sounds? Can they make a sequence of sounds for a purpose? 	 Can they order sounds to create a beginning, middle and end? Can they choose sounds to achieve an effect? Can they choose sounds to create an effect on the listener?
Expressive Arts and Design - Performing		Performing	
 Do they join in with singing? Can they use their voice to speak/ sing/ chant? 	 Can they use their voice to speak/ sing/ chant? Do they join in with singing? Can they clap short rhythmic patterns? Can they experiment with creating sounds with different instruments? 	 Can they clap short rhythmic patterns? Can they use instruments to perform a simple piece? Listening Respond to different moods of music, in different ways 	 Can they follow the melody using their voice or an instrument? Can they sing songs as an ensemble following the tune (melody) well? Can they play simple rhythmic patterns on an instrument?

Expressive Arts and Design - Appraising		Appraising	
 Can they begin to express how music makes them feel? Can they identify environmental sounds? 	 Can they say if they like or dislike a piece of music? Can they identify and distinguish environmental sounds? Can they begin to describe sounds? 	 Can they form an opinion to express how they feel about a piece of music? Can they tell the difference between a fast and flow tempo, loud and quiet and high and low sounds? Can they tell the difference between loud and quiet sounds? Can they respond to different moods in music and say how a piece of music makes them feel? 	 Can they identify particular features when listening to music? Are they able to recognise and name different instruments by sight? Can they begin to associate sounds they hear with instruments? Listening Begin to say what they like and dislike and why