

Music Progression in performing

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	Nursery	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Singing			Using their voices expressively to speak and chant Singing short songs from memory, maintaining the overall shape of the melody and keeping in time	Using their voices expressively when singing, including the use of basic dynamics (loud and quiet) Singing short songs from memory, with melodic and rhythmic accuracy	Singing songs in a variety of musical styles with accuracy and control, demonstrating developing vocal technique Singing and playing in time with peers, with some degree of accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance	Singing longer songs in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, control, fluency and a developing sense of expression including control of subtle dynamic changes Singing and playing in time with peers, with accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance	Singing songs in two or more parts, in a variety of musical styles from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression	Singing songs in two or more secure parts from memory, with accuracy, fluency, control and expression
Playing instruments			Maintaining the pulse (play on the beat) using hands, and tuned and un-tuned instruments Copying back short rhythmic and melodic phrases on percussion instruments Responding to simple musical instructions such as tempo and dynamic changes as part of a class performance	Copying longer rhythmic patterns on un-tuned percussion instruments, keeping a steady pulse Performing expressively using dynamics and timbre to alter sounds as appropriate	Playing in time with peers, with some degree of accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance	Playing in time with peers, with accuracy and awareness of their part in the group performance Playing melody parts on tuned instruments with accuracy and control and developing instrumental technique Playing syncopated rhythms with accuracy, control and fluency Playing simple chord sequences (12 bar blues)	Working as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting dynamics and pitch according to a graphic score, keeping in time with others and communicating with the group	Working as a group to perform a piece of music, adjusting the interrelated dimensions of music as required, keeping in time with others and communicating Performing a solo or taking a leadership role within a performance
Notation			Performing from graphic notation	Singing back short melodic patterns by ear and playing short melodic patterns from letter notation	Performing from basic staff notation, incorporating rhythm and pitch and be able to identify these symbols using musical terminology	Performing from basic staff notation, incorporating rhythm and pitch and identifying these symbols using musical terminology	Performing with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation Playing a simple chord progression with accuracy and fluency	Performing with accuracy and fluency from graphic and simple staff notation