

Unit Overview – KS1

Year	Term	Unit	Styles covered (Historical context)	Topic and cross-curricular links	Links to other units
1	Autumn 1	Hey You!	Old School Hip Hop	Option to make up (compose) your own rap or words to the existing rap, that could link to any topic in school, graffiti art, literacy, breakdancing or 80s Hip Hop culture in general. Historical context of musical styles.	Fresh Prince of Bel Air - KS2 (Year 6) Ee-Oh! by Benjamin Britten - KS2 (Year 3)
	Autumn 2	Little Angel Gets Her Wings	General Christmas	Christmas	Christmas units
	Spring 1	In the Groove	Blues, Latin, Folk, Funk, Baroque, Bhangra	6 different styles of music used here - Blues, Latin, Folk, Funk, Baroque, Bhangra that link to history, geography, countries and cultures. Ourselves. Historical context of musical styles.	Tragic Story - Britten - KS2 (Year 5) Baroque - History of music (see Reflect, Rewind and Replay units) I Mun be Married - Britten KS2 (Year 6) Begone Dull Care! - Britten KS2 (Year 5)
	Spring 2	Rhythm in the Way we Walk and Banana rap	Reggae, Hip Hop	Action songs that link to the foundations of music.	Zootime - KS1 (Year 2) 3 Little Birds - KS1 (Year 3) Hey You! - KS1 (Year 1) The Fresh Prince of Bel Air - Hip Hop - KS2 (Year 6)
	Summer 1	Round and Round	Latin Bossa Nova, Film music, Big Band Jazz, Mash-up, Latin fusion	Latin American style of music - Countries from around the world. Film music. Historical context of musical styles.	In the Groove - Year 1 - KS1 (Year 1) Benjamin Britten - Begone Dull Care - KS2 Classroom Jazz 1 and 2 - KS2 (Years 5 and 6)
	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Western Classical music and your choice from Year 1	Think about the history of music in context, listen to some Western Classical music and place the music from the units you have worked through in their correct time and space. Consolidate the foundations of the language of music.	All Year 1 Units
2	Autumn 1	Hands, Feet, Heart	South African styles	South African music and Freedom Songs. Nelson Mandela as a famous and influential person in our lifetimes. Historical context of musical styles.	Fishing Song - Britten - KS2 (Year 6)
	Autumn 2	Little Angel Gets Her Wings	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas units
	Spring 1	Glockenspiel Stage 1	Learning basic instrumental skills by playing tunes in varying styles	Introduction to the language of music, theory and composition.	Glockenspiel Stage 2 - KS1 (Year 3) Glockenspiel Stage 3 - KS2 (Year 4) Using scores/notation in the units
	Spring 2	I Wanna Play In A Band	Rock	Teamwork, working together. The Beatles. Historical context of musical styles.	Livin' on a Prayer - KS2 (Year 6) Don't Stop Believin' - KS2 (Year 5)
	Summer 1	Zootime	Reggae	Animals, poetry and the historical context of musical styles.	Three Little Birds - KS2 (Year 3)
	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Western Classical music and your choice from Year 2	Think about the history of music in context, listen to some Western Classical music and place the music from the units you have worked through in their correct time and space. Consolidate the foundations of the language of music.	All Year 2 Units
3	Autumn 1	Three Little Birds	Reggae	Animals, Jamaica, poetry and the historical context of musical styles.	Zootime - KS1 (Year 2) Britten - There Was a Man of Newington - KS2 (Year 3)
	Autumn 2	Ho Ho Ho	Christmas, Big Band, Motown, Elvis, Freedom Songs	Christmas. Literacy - Christmas vocabulary. Historical context of musical styles.	Christmas units
	Spring 1	Glockenspiel Stage 2	Learning basic instrumental skills by playing tunes in varying styles	Introduction to the language of music, theory and composition.	Using scores/notation in the units Glockenspiel Stage 3 - KS2 (Year 4)
	Spring 2	Benjamin Britten - There Was a Monkey	Britten (Western Classical music), Reggae, R&B	Literacy and history, Britten100.org, www.fridayafternoons.co.uk. The historical context of R&B and Reggae music.	All other Benjamin Britten units Zootime - KS1 (Year 2) Three Little Birds - KS2 (Year 3) Let Your Spirit Fly - KS2 (Year 3)
	Summer 1	Let Your Spirit Fly	R&B, Michael Jackson, Western Classical, Musicals, Motown, Soul	Historical context of musical styles.	There Was a Monkey - Britten - KS2 (Year 3)
	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Western Classical music and your choice from Year 3	Think about the history of music in context, listen to some Western Classical music and place the music from the units you have worked through, in their correct time and space. Consolidate the foundations of the language of music.	All Year 3 units