MUSIC SKILLS PROGRESSION

	FOUNDATION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2
PITCH	High/Low Higher/Lower	Recognise sounds moving from high to low or vice versa	Melody shapes - hand movements
DURATION	Steady beats Long and short sounds	Steady beat/no beat/silence Patterns of long and short sounds	Sliding sounds, steps and leaps Fast/slow beats Patterns of long/short sounds Simple rhythmic patterns
DYNAMICS	Sounds and silence Start and stop	Loud and quiet	Appropriate use of loud and quiet
TEMPO	Steady beats	Fast and Slow	Identifying fast, slow and medium in songs/music
TIMBRE	Vocal, body and environmental sounds	Describing sounds	How sounds are made - grouping
TEXTURE	One/many sounds	Songs with and without accompaniments	Different layers and textures
STRUCTURE	Beginnings and endings Follow my leader	Same/different	Question and answer Echo Beginnings, middles/ends

	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
PITCH	Steps/leaps Pitch notation C - G	Pentatonic Scales Increased pitch notation - octave	Major/minor scales 🗕	
DURATION	Strong and weak beats	Graphic Notation	Different metres □	Dotted Rhythms Syncopation
DYNAMICS	Crescendo and Diminuendo signs 🛛 🛏	Musical signs e.g. pp, p, f, ff	Adding dynamics to compositions _	Accents Articulation – slurs, staccato
TEMPO	Changing beats	Tempi vocab (moderato, allegro, largo)		Use of tempi for mood effects
TIMBRE	Orchestral Families (woodwind, strings, ∟ brass, percussion)		Different instrumental sounds, rock, jazz, non- western	
TEXTURE	Density of different textures	Solo, duet, trio, harmony	Note clusters 🗖	Chords Simple Chord Sequences
STRUCTURE	Call and Response Identify patterns □ (ostinati)	Verse/chorus Binary Form (AB)	Rounds 2 Part Singing 🗆	Ternary Form (ABA) Rondo (ABACAD.)