Half Term Cycle B	Topic Focus	Brief Description/focus	Progression/Assessment Focus – UKS2 THROUGHOUT: Creates and performs sounds with accuracy including with music technology. Performs confidently in a group and solo, with expression and variety. Organises sounds effectively using a variety of instruments or music technology and styles
Autumn 1	African Drums and Rhythm	Pupils learn how to make the 3 key notes of an African Djembe drum. Pupils use crotchet and quaver notation, as well as graphic notation to produce a range of African drum rhythms.	Plays with others keeping to a common pulse Plays instruments with confidence and expression Performs complex rhythmic patterns to an internalised pulse Recognises a change in metre Performs complex melodies and pitched accompaniments to an internalised pulse Improvises rhythms and tunes within musical structures (e.g. a beat, ostinato, or chord sequence) confidently and imaginatively.
Autumn 2	Composing for a Christmas Advert	From a video stimulus, pupils compose, practice and record a piece of music using graphic notation techniques and then evaluate and improve their composition.	Performs complex melodies and pitched accompaniments to an internalised pulse Leads a group and follows a leader directing changes in musical expression Maintains an independent part in an ensemble Plays using notation as support (Staff & rhythm notation, graphic scores) Understands how the texture might vary Uses notation (graphic scores, rhythm, or staff notation) to support & record composition to improvise, compose and record own compositions. Selects and use instruments, creative sound-makers, and music technology, or playing techniques to improvise sounds or patterns.

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Spring 1	Singing in groups and rounds	Pupils learn and perform a range of tradition songs, including those from the Victorian era, that use round, ostinato and solo parts. Pupils perform these to their peers.	Sings confidently, fluently and maintaining a strong pulse, songs from a range of traditions, genre, and times. Understands why and how to warm up the voice. Sings with an awareness of breathing, posture, and diction. Maintains an independent part in a small group with several layers and being aware of other parts (rounds, drones, ostinato, and harmony). Follows more complex musical instructions (e.g. in part singing). Understands more complex song structures. Identifies phrases through breathing appropriately.
Spring 2	'Starry Night' - Music inspired by Van Gogh	Pupils improvise using a range of tuned and untuned percussion using the work of VV Gogh as a stiumuls. Pupils work in 4 and in 3 time and manipulate major and minor pentatonics. Pupils record some effective melodies using notation.	Plays with others keeping to a common pulse Plays instruments with confidence and expression Recognises a metre of 3 & 4 Performs complex melodies and pitched accompaniments to an internalised pulse Plays using notation as support (Staff & rhythm notation, graphic scores) Selects and use instruments, creative sound-makers, and music technology, or playing techniques to improvise sounds or patterns. Selects, orders, combines, and changes sounds, imaginatively and with expression, to represent ideas, moods, or feelings, or tell a story.

			Uses notation (graphic scores, rhythm, or staff notation) to support & record composition to improvise, compose and record own compositions. Composes and perform solos and with others effectively and imaginatively to create songs, chants, or pieces Improvises imaginatively and expressively with voice, instruments or music technology using interrelated dimensions of music. Improvises and composes imaginatively to communicate ideas & moods
Summer 1	Arranging using Digital Technology	Pupils use Audacity/Garage band to arrange a piece of dance music using a range of loops and DAW fx.	Selects and controls beats, chords, effects, and loops effectively in music technology programmes. Selects and use instruments, creative sound-makers, and music technology, or playing techniques to improvise sounds or patterns. Creates and combines rhythms, melodies, harmonies, loops, or lyrics within own musical pieces effectively. Improvises imaginatively and expressively with voice, instruments or music technology using interrelated dimensions of music.
Summer 2	Celebration Songs	Pupils learn a range of contemporary and tradition songs in preparation for their leaving assembly, using different verse / chorus structures.	Sings accurately in tune within a wider pitch range (*octave and half*) and appropriate individual vocal range. Uses dynamics, phrasing, emphasis, and accents to create intended effects. Sings confidently in unison and solo. Performs confidently in a group and solo with expression and variety. Performs in a way that reflects the meaning and impact of the lyrics to an audience.