

National Curriculum Requirements of Music at Key Stage 2

Pupils should sing songs, make music, dance and experiment with ways of changing them. They should use what they have learnt about media and materials in original ways, thinking about uses and purposes. They should represent their own ideas, thoughts and feelings through design and technology, art, music, dance, role play and stories.

Pupils should be taught to:

- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression;
- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music;
- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory;
- use and understand staff and other musical notations;
- appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians;
- develop an understanding of the history of music.