

Cycle A	Unit Title	Overview
Autumn 1	Our Community Year 5	Musical Focus: Performance Subject Link: History The song <i>Jerusalem</i> provides the bases for looking at changes through time. The children are given opportunities to compose and perform music inspired by their local community, both past and present.
Autumn 2	Keeping Healthy Year 5	Musical Focus: Beat Subject Link: PE From body-popping and gospel-singing to swimming and cycling, the children are taken through their paces, and they put together an invigorating performance using new musical techniques.
Spring 1	World Unite Year 6	Musical Focus: Step Dance Performance Subject Link: PE Get into the groove by exploring rhythm and melody in singing, movement and dance. The children learn about beat, syncopation, pitch and harmony, and take a trip around the world to celebrate the universal language of music.
Spring 2	Journeys Year 6	Musical Focus: Song Cycle Performance Subject Link: PSHE The theme of challenging journeys in life resonates through this selection of songs with thoughts of change and transition, and binds them in an optimistic and uplifting song cycle performance.
Summer 1	Life Cycles Year 5	Musical Focus: Structure Subject Link: PSHE Explore the human life cycle with music by Johannes Brahms, Luciano Berio, Franz Liszt and Claudio Monteverdi. The wide variety of musical moods, styles and genres inspires singing, performing and composing using new techniques and structures.
Summer 2	Year 5 – Celebration Year 6 – Moving on	<u>Year 5</u> Musical Focus: Performance Subject Link: English A lively celebration in song for the children to perform at a class assembly, a school concert or fete. The celebratory, upbeat mood will soon have the audience joining in. <u>Year 6</u> Musical Focus: Leavers' Assembly Performance Subject Link: Computing Two songs, one looking back, one looking forward, and a musical device for linking them provide a moving celebration of the children's happy memories and their hopes for the future.

Cycle B	Unit Title	Overview
Autumn 1	Solar System Year 5	Musical Focus: Listening Subject Link: Science Embark on a musical journey through the solar system, exploring how our universe inspired composers including Claude Debussy, Gustav Holst and George Crumb. The children learn a song, and compose pieces linked to space.
Autumn 2	At the Movies Year 5	Musical Focus: Composition Subject Link: English Explore music from 1920s animated films to present day movies. The children learn techniques for creating soundtracks and film scores, and they compose their own movie music.
Spring 1	Growth Year 6	Musical Focus: Street Dance Performance Subject Link: Geography 'The street' is the setting for this unit of buskers and flash mobs. The children explore Ravel's <i>bolero</i> through rhythmical mime, learn songs with instrumental accompaniments, and create a dance to build a thrilling street performance.
Spring 2	Roots Year 6	Musical Focus: Mini Musical Performance Subject Link: English A complete musical performance about the effects of the slave trade on a West African village. The integrated music features tradition Ghanaian songs and percussion rhythms, and the infamous spider-man Anasi, who saves the day.
Summer 1	Class Awards Year 6	Musical Focus: Awards Show Performance Subject Link: Cross-curricular An ideal opportunity to celebrate the children's achievements at the end of primary school with a musical awards show customized for your class. Individual awards are presented along with fanfare, rap, song and famous music in a final gran ceremony.
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