

LEYS FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL

Music Vocabulary Progression

MUSIC	Pre-KS2 (KS1)	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	<b>In general</b>				
	Use common words and phrases relating to music. Use a wide range of everyday musical terms.	Use some specialist vocabulary in musical discussions.	Use specialist music vocabulary, often appropriately.	Use specialist music vocabulary appropriately.	Start to apply musical vocabulary in sophisticated ways, e.g. crescendo in non-musical context.
	<b>Vocabulary for structure</b>				
	verse chorus bridge (structural, not guitar) single album cover demo compose symphony opera fanfare orchestra ensemble solo call and response walking bass lip syncing hook	cadence coda motif concerto sonata mass fast/slow movement jam improvise a cappella	tempo suite largo allegro vivacity scherzo (as movement titles) cadenza cantata oratorio chorale tone poem	dissonance discordant resolution minuet and trio gavotte (as movement titles)	glissando syncopation hemiola antiphony anticipation
	<b>Vocabulary for notes and notation</b>				
	Beat tune rhythm (spoken)	dynamics accent octave	piano forte (de)crescendo,	Staccato Legato Slur	downbeat upbeat off-beat

	loud soft quiet notes rhythm (spelled) melody harmony unison scale pitch double-time crotchet quaver minim rest	tone/semitone sharp/flat (for note names) major/minor key chord slur semiquaver semibreve notation stave/staff clef	diminuendo bar tab notation capo (for guitar) stop time tag	Pianissimo fortissimo mezzo forte/piano sharp/flat (for tuning)	cross-rhythm swing
<b>Vocabulary for music history</b>					
	long ago then when last next before after first/second older newer years (dating system) then century period earlier / later since long after / long before	during while recently chronological approximate change fashion origin process series genre culture jazz rock and roll classical	uncertain former latter phase decline trend continuity school influence patron	contemporary prior subsequent enduring legacy dominate context atonal	simultaneous medieval renaissance baroque classical (specific sense) romantic

	at the same time as				
	<b>Vocabulary for instrumentation</b>				
	Accompaniment drone instrument triangle orchestra ensemble choir chorus (ensemble sense) band (lead/backing) vocal (lead) guitar keyboard synth drum kit	(bass) riff backbeat A Side feedback slapping bass pitch bending amplifier orchestral sections strings woodwind wind brass percussion timpani conductor soloist	Tone tonic timbre texture instrumentation vibrato alto soprano baritone falsetto piano harpsichord organ guitar (electric, classical, acoustic)	standard orchestral instruments ... violin viola cello double bass harp oboe flute clarinet saxophone	bass clarinet contra-bassoon piccolo flute euphonium cornet recorder (descant, treble, tenor, bass, contrabass) viol lute