Morpeth First School Knowledge Organiser

Topic: Music - Performing	Year group
Rhythm in the Way we Walk/ Banana Rap	Year 1

Background knowledge

Percussion instruments are usually untuned instruments which use beaters, rattles or your hand to create a sound. There is no change in pitch for many of these instruments, e.g. tambourine, bells, cymbals, maracas, bongo drums, cabasas, castanets. Other percussion instruments can be tuned and change pitch, e.g. xylophones, chime bars, gongs. Some percussion instruments, such as cow bells can be either tuned or untuned.

What should I already know?

- To sing a few familiar songs.
- To tap out simple repeated rhythms.
- To explore and learn how sounds can be changed.
- To sing to self and make up simple songs.
- To make up rhythms.
- To begin to build a repertoire of songs and dances.
- To explore the different sounds of instruments.

National Curriculum Objectives / Key Skills	The Journey
To use their voices to join in songs and rhymes.	 To copy sounds with voices. (Low
To understand the difference between untuned and tuned instruments.	sounds, high sounds, loud sounds, quiet sounds etc).
	To sing familiar songs and rhymes.
	3. To begin to learn new songs and
I can use my voice to speak /sing/ chant	rhymes.
I can join in with singing	4. To perform new song with an awareness of the audience.
I can use instruments to perform	5. To clap short rhythmic patterns and
I can look at the audience when I am performing	begin to use percussion instruments. To know the difference between tuned and
I can clap short rhythmic patterns	untuned instruments.
I can copy sounds	To use percussion instruments to perform in a small group.

Outcomes

An overview of what children will know / can do

Working towards: I am beginning to build confidence to join in songs and rhymes and play percussion instruments correctly.

Expected: I can join in singing, use percussion instruments and have an awareness of the audience. I can replicate a rhythm.

Exceeding: I show creativity when singing and using percussion instruments. I am starting to lead a group to perform to an audience. I can replicate and create my own rhythm.

Key Vocabulary

Song - something performed using the voice. Rhyme - a traditional poem or song (including nursery rhymes).

Rhythm - a regular repeated pattern of sound.

Instrument - an object used to create sound. Tuned - an instrument which can create sound of different pitches.

Untuned - an instrument that has no change in pitch.

Percussion – an untuned instrument which uses beaters, rattles or the hand to create sound.

Audience - a group of people watching or listening to a performance.

High - a high frequency sound which can be described as shrill or piercing.

Timeline / Diagrams







Low - a low frequency sound which can be described as deep or soft.

Quiet - making little noise.

Loud - making much noise.

Volume - loud and quiet.

Pitch - high or low.



Key people / places

"Practice from the head, play from the heart" Brendan Jones.

Assessment questions / outcomes

Can you copy these sounds?

Can you sing a song that you know?

Can you remember our song from last week?

Can you clap a short rhythmic pattern?

Can you name some percussion instruments?

Can you describe the difference between tuned and untuned?