

Lawdale Music Curriculum Outline

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Year 3	Fun with Music: singing games & learning about instruments	Singing for Performance: preparing for Christmas show and singing together with control of pitch	Introducing the Recorder: learning basic technique and first notes	Focus on Notation: reading, writing, singing, and playing from melodic notation	Call and Response: singing independently, taking the lead in echo songs & playing tunes on recorder with confidence	Composing a Story: using sound to tell the story of a fable
Year 4	Pentatonic Tunes I: singing and playing, using tuned percussion and recorders	Pentatonic Tunes II: improvising and composing using tuned percussion and recorders	Sing and Play Rounds: making music in independent parts	Focus on Notation: using our knowledge of music notation to write down sections to create a class rondo	Ensemble Playing: using our skills to arrange and play music in parts on different instruments	Music for Celebration: composing and performing a fanfare, using tuned percussion
Year 5	Traditional African Music: drumming, singing 2-part harmony, and classifying a variety of instruments	Layering Sound: learning drumming patterns from around the world & creating our own layers of sound	Introducing the Ukulele: picking on open strings and playing first chords	Strumming Chords: mastering basic chords to play in progressions	Singing the Blues: learning the structure, themes and artists associated with the 12-bar blues	Songwriting Workshop: writing original songs to sing and accompany on ukulele
Year 6	Focus on Harmony: singing in parts and playing chords using tuned percussion	Introducing the Keyboard: learning basic technique and simple tunes	Developing Technique: practising finger patterns and playing more complex tunes	Playing with Chords: accompanying simple tunes with basic chords	Stage Music: learning about theatrical music, and working to sing in character with expression	Singing for Performance: preparing our end-of-year production, memorising and performing songs