

Music Service recommended Resources

Music Express



Music Express (Collins) is a digital resource used by thousands of schools across the UK who want a comprehensive and engaging music scheme that's easy to use for non-specialist and specialist music teachers. Whether you're navigating new ways of delivering lessons or planning for skills progression, Music Express has you covered with a Lesson Bank of planning documents and core resources and a Song Bank of over 400 songs in a variety of styles to learn and perform. Take a tour of the online scheme by following this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Js-y-xOZbQ&list=PLIRlh3tVUOutPmScU3l6YH3tx-HW7zrds&index=2>

The original Music Express Scheme (A & C Black) is produced in a series of books, one for each year group including Early Years, with backing tracks on CDs. This is a great resource and worth continuing to use if it is embedded in your school. However, since there is no digital resource, planning is on CD ROMS and it follows the QCA documents, it has been superseded by other more up to date material.

Sparkyard



This on-line music scheme is linked to Out of the Ark Music so with it you will have access to to nearly 1000 high-quality songs, linked to all areas of the curriculum.

The curriculum is flexible and skills-based whilst aligned to the requirements of the Music National Curriculum. There are a large variety of topics, as well as ideas for assemblies to promote wellbeing and school community.

Each unit has its own overview; each lesson its own learning objectives and there is an in-depth content coverage, key learning and skills overview document. The progression of skills is mapped through different strands of the National Curriculum or by year group and assessment grids provided for each unit. <https://www.sparkyard.com/>

Sing Up



Sing up is a lively online resource offering a complete scheme of work for teaching the primary music curriculum. It has useful activities for developing musicianship and a strong focus on singing. The wide range of attractive songs are offered in different formats, useful to both specialist and non-specialist teachers.

<https://www.singup.org/>

Oak National Academy



Free online music lessons for KS1 and KS2.

The Oak National Academy is here to support great teaching. It is an independent public body working in partnership to improve pupil outcomes and close the disadvantage gap by supporting teachers to teach and enabling pupils to access a high quality curriculum.

It shares the brilliance of teachers from across the country, aiming to put the best curriculum thinking, the deepest subject expertise and the smartest learning design at your fingertips. With access to this wealth of knowledge, you can make it your own and help your pupils thrive.

From the start of primary, all the way to Key Stage 4, it provides free access to thousands of teacher-made, fully-resourced lessons to adapt and use with your pupils. <https://www.thenational.academy/>

Active Music Digital



A resource ideal for KS1 and Years 3 and 4. Providing songs, games and instrumental activities to teach the essential elements of music.

Uses the Kodaly teaching method.

Recommended for teachers with a music specialism: www.activemusicdigital.co.uk

BBC Ten Pieces



Despite the name, the BBC Ten Pieces website is a wonderful resource of 50 pieces of music, that has recently been updated. The latest pieces are all by women composers from a wide range of musical periods, genres and backgrounds. The new-look website sections on the history of music, musical elements and links to the repertoire mentioned in the Model Music Curriculum. There are suggestions of how to use inclusive instruments alongside the material and the opportunity to upload your own compositions. A new section allows you to easily access other BBC resources in a variety of subject areas.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces>

Classroom 200

A free online resource for school teachers working with students up to the age of 14.



With 200 recordings of inspiring music in a range of styles, plus accompanying lesson plans, Classroom 200 is all about bringing music to life in the classroom. It encourages creativity supported by a diverse range of styles linking activities in the classroom directly with the 'Model Music Curriculum'.

From Berlioz to Bob Marley, Rutter to Rag 'n' Bone Man, created by teachers, for teachers. For each piece you will find a downloadable lesson plan which gives clear learning outcomes for every age group.

<https://gb.abrsm.org/en/classroom-200/>

Naxos Music Box

"A very fine resource which will definitely be engaging for children"



While Naxos Music Box is not a scheme of work for schools, MK Music Hub considers it to be a resource worth investing in to support teachers in delivering music.

Benefits:

- Each child has a licence which can be accessed in school and at home
- Compatible with Google Classroom
- Wide range of music activities with supporting information for teachers
- Huge library of high quality music in all genres
- Includes stage and screen section – composing for film and TV
- Quizzes and questions
- Excellent world music section
- Free trial available – visit www.naxosmusicbox.com

Musical Futures, Primary Pathways



This new scheme has 'sound before symbol' and a hands-on approach at its heart. There are classroom project related units for Foundation and Key Stage 1 and a lively drumming / keyboard / ukelele/ recorder / guitar focus for Key Stage 2. Listening activities provide an introduction to a wide range of musical genres, and composition is imbedded in this attractive and useable scheme.

https://www.musicalfuturesonline.org/resource-type/primary-pathway/?srsltid=AfmBOogKLhAUpx3xgoWezu_N099FZHszpPC9tVqPZOPQNq_mWp_lupB1