Year 4 Music Unit 3 Rhythm



What should I already know?



- I have done some work on developing composing and performing skills.
- I have explored how rhythms can be created by using syllable patterns from simple spoken phrases.
- I have created graphic scores to notate my ideas.
- I have had a go at self and peer assessment.











Key knowledge

- rhythms can be created, layered and combined to produce a range of textures, dynamics and musical interest
- formal and non-formal notation and rhythm grids are used to compose music
- developing and extend clapping patterns can be used to perform parts as a round
- composing and layering different rhythms can create a range of textures
- words and syllables can form rhythm patterns
- repetition, layering and texture can be used to compose and notate a piece using a graphic grid

Key Vocabulary

Pulse - the regular 'heartbeat' of a piece, holding the core timing together in a piece of music. This is also known as the beat.

Tempo - the speed at which a piece of music is played

Canon - A piece in which two or more parts play the same music at different times

Dynamics - How loudly or softly to play a part or piece of music

Melody - A group of notes played one after another to make a tune (a melody)

Ostinato - A repeated musical phrase or rhythm

Phrase -A 'musical sentence' created by a series of notes which sounds complete even when played alone

Pitch - How high or low a note is

Rhythm - A pattern of sounds played through time, formed by a series of notes.

Ternary form - A piece of music that is structured in three different sections in which the 3rd section is the same or nearly the same as the first section