Year 4 Music Unit 4 Pitch

## What should I already know?

- All music has pitch as well as rhythm
- Pitch can determine the atmosphere of a composition
- I use different pitches when I am singing

## Key knowledge

We can use pitch to create different moods in music

- Pitch can create an emotional response when listening to music
- Exploring pitch changes can create different effects
- Different instruments have different pitch
- Pitch, dynamics and tempo changes can create dramatic and atmospheric compositions

## 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

Harmony - The sound of two or more notes played simultaneously

Octave - The distance between one note (eg. C) and the next note of the same pitch name 8 notes apart.

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

Scale - An ordered sequence of notes in either ascending or descending order

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

Timbre - The quality or 'colour' of sound that make one voice or instrument different





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