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Unit 1	 Understand the Elements of Music
The Elements of Music	• Be able to recognise and comment on the Elements of Music when listening
	• Explore the Elements of Music through fun boomwhacker & chime pieces
Ditch & Dhythm	• Beable to work in groups and as an individual in performance and composition
Pitch & Rhythm	 Understand the Key words PITCH and RHYTHM
	 Understand good practice when playing the recorder
	 Understand note letter names on the Treble clef
	 Understand note duration names and lengths and crotchet rests
The highness	 Understand bars, bar lines, treble clef and time signature
or lowness of sound	\circ Learn how to read and play the notes B, A & G and play music using BAG
	 o 'Au Clair de la Lune' (CAT 1)
	 Understand the key words PULSE/BEAT/RHYTHM/DURATION
^{••} Rhythm	• Be able to find the pulse/beat in music and clap/tap/count/play along
durations and patterns of sound and silence	 Understand the keyword TEMPO
deliverons and parcents of sound and silence	 Understand the difference between Waltzes and Marches
	 Compose a waltz using BAG (CAT 2)
	• Learn how to read and play the notes C & High D and play music using BAGC & D
	 Understand Key words MELODY, HARMONY & CHORD
Unit 2	• Investigate how Graphic Scores are used in writing and performing music
Graphic Scores	• Understand how graphics/symbols/pictures represent musical elements such as
	Pitch, duration, dynamics, timbre, texture etc.
	 Understand Key words DYNAMICS and TEXTURE
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• Compose a group composition describing a story you have been given and
$\wedge \bullet \wedge \wedge \wedge \wedge$	produce a graphic score
	 Continue playing recorder pieces with the notes BAGC&D
*	 Add new notes F#, E and Low D
WINTER EXAM	\circ In class you will take a listening exam based on the topics so far (50%)
(CAT 3)	\circ You will also play Jingle Bells on recorder as your exam practical (50%)
Fun 😪	Christmas Boomwhackers & Chimes !!
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Music	
Unit 3	 Listen to a range of marches and use thinking skills to think about why and how
	music can be written for specific purposes
Marches Project	 Consolidate Pitch knowledge. Note test (CAT 4)
à mil a der a à	 Identify elements of music which composers use to suit the purpose of the music
	 Perform a march in a chosen style
	 Compose a march (CAT 5)
	 Continue playing recorder pieces with the notes BAGCDF#E & Low D
Unit 4	 Understand the Key word TIMBRE
Timbre	 Investigate timbre through listening, composing and performing activities
	\circ Continue playing recorder pieces with the notes BAGCDF#E & Low D
SUMMER EXAM	\circ In class you will take a listening exam based on all the topics so far (50%)
(CAT 6)	• You will also play Ode To Joy on recorder as your exam practical (50%)
Unit 5	 Perform ensembles using a variety of instruments.
Ensembles	Operation and addresses are a set on to the supervised as to ensure the set
	 Compose and add your own new section to the ensemble piece to create an ABA ternary form performance. Use Vindaloo.
6	 ○ Fun boomwhacker pieces