What are the key features of 'knowledge-rich' assessment for Music?

Subject	Features
Music	 At key stage 1 and 2, the sticky knowledge takes full account of the national curriculum's main characteristics of: Singing Playing an instrument Listening and Appreciating Creating own music History of music
	☐ There are relatively few assessment statements as these knowledge statements should be what pupils retain for ever. In other words, this knowledge is within their long-term memory and will be retained.
	☐ When considering pupils' improvement in subject specific vocabulary, provide pupils with a vocabulary mat which contains all words used for music for their age group.

Listening and appreciate

Composition/

Playing an instrument

Singing

				Improvisation
Pupils should be taught to use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes		Pupils should be taught to play tuned and untuned instruments musically	Pupils should be taught to listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music	Pupils should be taught to experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music
Year 1	 Learn about voices, singing notes of different pitches (high and low). Learn that they can make different types of sounds with their voices – you can rap or say words in rhythm. Learn to start and stop singing when following a leader. 	 Treat instruments carefully and with respect. Play a tuned instrumental part with the song they perform. Learn to play an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts (one/two notes) Listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. 	 Say whether they like or dislike a piece of music. Learn how they can enjoy moving to music by dancing, marching, being animals or pop stars. Find the beat to a piece of music. Clap and repeat short rhythmic and melodic patterns to discuss the effect. 	 Help to create a simple melody using one, two or three notes. Learn how the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. Sing, Play and Improvise – Use voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play your own answer using one or two notes. Feedback to peers on compositions and improvisations.
Year 2	Learn to find a comfortable singing position.	 Learn to play the recorder. Follow short sequences of notes. Begin to understand note values. (Crotchets, minims, Semibreves, quavers) Perform songs, potentially including 5 notes. 	To learn how songs can tell a story or describe an idea.	 Use understanding of focus songs to improve using 2 notes. Help to create a simple melody using 1-4 notes. Work with a partner to compose appropriate 4 note melodies.

	Singing	Listening	Playing
Year 3	 Sing mostly in tune, showing greater awareness of pitch-matching. Sing a wider range of songs* with expression and a sense of melodic shape. (*simple rounds, partner songs, songs with verse/chorus). Show developing control of dynamics and tempo when singing. Demonstrate an awareness of correct posture for singing. 	 Listen with increasing concentration to a variety of live and recorded music from different cultures, traditions and historical periods music, recognising how changes in tempo, dynamics, pitch, and timbre create different moods and effects. Aurally identify simple rhythm patterns using walk/ta jogging/te-te one-beat rests Z 	 Keep a steady pulse accurately on an instrument or with movement Demonstrate the difference between pulse and rhythm. Play simple repeating rhythms on percussion instruments. Play simple melodic patterns on tuned instruments Play fast/slow, loud/quiet, high/low and change the type of sound when I play instruments with increasing control and accuracy.
Year 4	 Sing in tune with accuracy and confidence, maintaining a wider pitch range, correct posture and clear diction. Sing expressively, showing an awareness of style, demonstrating the ability to control tempo and dynamics appropriately. Sing a wide variety of songs: unison, partner, canon, songs with 2 or more parts. Sing increasingly complex songs: rounds, partner, songs with verse and chorus. 	 Listen with concentration to a variety of live and recorded music from different cultures, traditions, and historical periods music, recognising how changes in the interrelated dimensions of music create different moods and effects. Aurally identify rhythm patterns using walk/ta jogging/te-te stride (2 beat) one-beat rests Z or Aurally recognise different instrument families (percussion, woodwind, brass, string.) 	 Keep a steady pulse independently and respond to changes in tempo, maintaining and appropriate pulse. Maintain a simple rhythm part independently, keeping in time to the pulse. Play a variety of rhythm patterns with accuracy. Maintain a simple melody part independently, keeping in time with the puls Demonstrate increasing control of tempo and dynamics when playing.
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	Singing	Listening	Playing	
Year 5	 Sing in tune with confidence and expression. Sing expressively, showing an awareness of style. Sing a wide variety of songs: unison, partner, canon, songs with 2 or more parts. 	 Recognise different instrument families. Categorise different instruments into their families. Listen to and reflect on a piece of orchestral music. 	 Recognise different instrument families. Categorise different instruments into their families. Listen to and reflect on a piece of orchestral music. Play A minor, C major and F major. Play A minor, C major and F major. Play in solo and ensemble contexts with fluency and expression. 	
Year 6	 Sing in tune with accuracy and confidence, maintaining a wider pitch range, correct posture, clear diction and breath control. Sing with confidence and expression, showing a clear sense of style, confidently controlling dynamics, tempo, and other expressive features of the music. Maintain an independent part with good control, accuracy and expression, showing awareness of how parts fit together. 	 Listen with attention to detail to a wide range of music from different traditions, genres, styles and periods, describing and evaluating musical features using appropriate musical vocabulary. Aurally identify extended rhythm patterns using walk/ta jogging/te-te stride (2 beat) one-beat rests Z or wade (4 beats) Caterpillar Recognise the sounds of an increasing number of instruments from different instrumental families. Begin to recognise the characteristics of different styles of music and place them within a historical timeline. Recognise 2,3,4 metre 	 Play melodic and rhythmic parts as part of an ensemble, keeping in time with other players. Maintain an independent part in an ensemble, showing awareness of how parts fit together Play confidently with fluency and expression, demonstrating increased understanding of musical features when I play to achieve a musical outcome. 	

Performing	Compose and Improvise
 Maintain a part within a group, showing some awareness of other performers. Follow simple performance directions (e.g. starting/stopping, changes in tempo & dynamics) Show some awareness of the audience when performing 	 Create and develop musical ideas within given structures (e.g., ABA form) or in response to a stimulus. Sequence and combine sounds to create special effects, moods and atmospheres using the interrelated dimensions of music
 Maintain an independent part within a group, showing awareness of other performers. Follow simple performance directions (start/stop/loud/quiet/fast/ slow) and respond with increasing fluency and control. Demonstrate awareness of the audience and perform with a sense of occasion. 	 Improvise longer melodic and rhythmic phrases using the interrelated dimensions of music with developing control.

Performing		Compose and Improvise	
Year 5	 Demonstrating the ability to control tempo and dynamics appropriately. Play in solo and ensemble contexts with fluency and expression. Communicate expressively to an audience. Understand and control interrelated dimensions to achieve intended effects. 	 Sing expressively, showing an awareness of style. Improvise rhythmic and melodic phrases using the voice and instruments. Compose music for a range of purposes using the interrelated dimensions. 	
Year 6	 Maintain an independent part in a group (or as a soloist) with increased control, fluency and expression, showing awareness of other performers. Communicate expressively to an audience, showing an awareness of place and occasion. 	 Improvise longer melodic and rhythmic phrases using the interrelated dimensions of music with confidence and control. Compose music using a range of devices and/or for different purposes demonstrating an increased understanding of how the interrelated dimensions of music have been used to achieve intended effects. Make improvements to my own work and suggest improvements to the work of others using appropriate musical vocabulary. 	
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Reading Notation

Children will read notations and use Music books to record small given sequences and experiment with compositions using appropriate Musical notations.

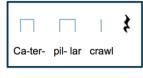
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Follow pictures and symbols to guide singing and playing, e.g.
 4 dots = 4 taps on the drum.

Dot notation



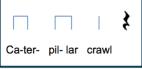
Stick notation



Year 2

- Read and respond to chanted rhythm patterns, and represent them with stick notation including crotchets, quavers and crotchets rests.
- Create and perform their own chanted rhythm patterns with the same stick notation.
- Recognise dot notation and match it to 3-note tunes played on tuned percussion.
- Follow and use not nates to play and compose short sequences.

• Stick notation



• Dot notations showing pitch



Note names

D, E, G

Reading Notation

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Year

- Use dot notations to show higher and lower pitch
- Use letter names with dot notation to demonstrate understanding of pitch...
- Introduce and understand the difference between crotchets and paired auavers.
 - Introduce understanding of stave and clef.

• Dot notation to show pitch



• Stave (on alternate pages of Music Books)

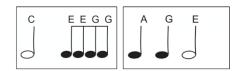


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- Recognise staff notation values for minim, crochet, crotchet rest and paired quavers, using note names.
- Use staff notation when composing.
- Introduce and understand the differences between minims, crotchets, paired quavers and rests.
- Read and perform pitch notation within a defined range (e.g. C-G/do-so).

Staff notation



Reading Notation

Children will read notations and use Music books to record small given sequences and experiment with compositions using appropriate Musical notations.

- Further understand the differences between semibreves, minims, crotchets and crotchet rests, paired quavers and semiquavers.
- Understand the differences between 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4 time signatures.
- Read and perform pitch notation within an octave (e.g. C-C'/do-do).
- Read and play short rhythmic phrases at sight from prepared cards, using conventional symbols for known rhythms and note durations.
- Play melodies on tuned percussion, melodic instruments or keyboards, following staff notation written on one stave and using notes within the Middle C-C'/do-do range.

• Staff notation on stave.



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Year

Play a melody following staff notation written on one stave and using notes within an octave range (do-do); make decisions about dynamic range, including very loud (ff), very quiet (pp), moderately loud (mf) and moderately quiet (mp)

- Further understand the differences between semibreves, minims, crotchets, quavers and semiquavers, and their equivalent rests.
- Further develop the skills to read and perform pitch notation within an octave (e.g. C-C/do-do).

✓ do-so

Range of a 5th

✓ do-do'

Range of an octave

Reading Notation			
	Year 3	Year 4	Years 5 & 6
Crotchets	✓	>	✓

Paired quavers

Semibreves

Semiquavers

Time signatures 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4

Getting faster (accelerando), getting

Stave, lines and spaces, clef*, reading

Fast (allegro), slow (adagio)

Getting louder (crescendo), Getting softer (decrescendo)

slower (rallentando)

dot notation

Loud (forte)

Quiet (piano)

Minims

Rests

✓ do–me

Range of a 3rd