



St. Andrew's **MUSIC** Vocabulary Progression Ladder

This document is designed to assist with the teaching of vocabulary across KS2. It is aligned with the Get Set 4 Music scheme of work that is used across the school. This document identifies in which year group vocabulary should be explicitly taught and introduced. However, language should be revisited in subsequent year groups, retrieved regularly and quizzed often to ensure children are consolidating their understanding. Some language may be introduced earlier if necessary or as part of an activity, however this document ensures coverage is progressive.

	Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Vocabulary	Repeated from previous years	New	Repeated from previous years	New	Repeated from previous years	New	Repeated from previous years	New
	beat dynamics graphic score improvise notes perform pitch pulse rest rhythm score tempo	bar bar line crescendo crotchet crotchet rest decrescendo duet ensemble forte interrelated dimensions minim notation paired quavers piano posture quartet semibreve scale solo	call and response conductor dynamics ensemble interrelated dimensions layer melody pitch pulse rhythm round score structure tempo texture timbre	accelerando accompaniment allegro cell duration glissando improvisation largo minimalism moderato motif neutral clef octave off beat ostinato pentatonic scale polyphony polyrhythm presto quaver	accompaniment improvisation interrelated dimensions graphic score melody motif polyphony polyrhythm rhythm structure timbre	appraise bass line broken chords chord consonant dissonant dotted note genre harmonious harmony interval legato major minor mnemonics octave root note staccato triad time signature	accompaniment bass line chords clef duration interrelated dimensions melody notation ostinato polyphonic rest rhythm stave structure texture time signature triad	accent break bridge concerto contrast expression minimalist off-beat passing note phrasing programmatic drum groove phrasing riff syncopation ternary

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