

Music Vocabulary

The children should know these words and their meanings and be able to name these instruments by the end of the year.

Year Group	Word	Instruments
Nursery	Pulse (steady beat)	Drum
	Pitch (high and low)	Glockenspiel
		Xylophone
Reception	Pulse (steady beat)	Drum
	Pitch (high and low)	Glockenspiel
	Rhythm (patterns of long and short sounds)	Xylophone
		Triangle
Year One	Pulse (steady beat)	Drum
	Pitch (high and low)	Glockenspiel
	Rhythm (pattern of long and short sounds)	Xylophone
	Dynamics (loud and quiet)	Triangle
		Wood blocks
Year Two	Pulse (steady beat)	Drum
	Pitch (high and low)	Glockenspiel
	Rhythm (patterns of long and short sounds)	Xylophone
	Dynamics (loud and quiet)	Triangle
	Tempo (speed)	Wood blocks
		Bells