Unit 2 Music Style: Bossa Nova and Swing Caroline Haslett Primary School - Music Year 5 Classroom Jazz 1

Knowledge – What I will know at the end of the unit.

Sing: To know and talk about a song's main features.

Play: To know and be able to talk about the different ways of writing music down – e.g. staff notation, symbols

Improvise: To know that when someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to them.

Compose: To know that a composition is music that is created by you and kept in some way. It's like writing a story. It can be played or performed again to your friends **Perform:** To know that everything that will be performed must be planned and learned.



Activities

Playing instruments

 Play instrumental parts with the music by ear using the notes G, A + B and D, E, G, A + B.

Improvise

Improvise in a Bossa Nova style using the notes G, A + B. Improvise in a swing style using the notes D, E, G, A + B.

Perform

 Tell your audience how you learnt this piece and why.
 Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

Vocabulary

- Appraising listening carefully and considering aspects of the music.
- Big band group of jazz musicians, usually more than 10. Usually split into 4 instrument sections (saxophones, trumpets, trombones and rhythm instruments).
- Bossa Nova a Brazilian dance music that has syncopated guitar rhythms.
- Dynamics a musical dimension indicating how loudly or quietly the music is being played.
- Hook the main musical idea from a song that we remember i.e. a short catchy phrase.
- Improvise to make up a tune and play it on the spot.
- Notation ways to visually represent music.
- **Pitch** the range of high and low sounds within music.
- **Pulse** the heartbeat or steady beat of a song/piece of music.
- Rhythm the combination of long and short sounds to make patterns.
- Riff a short repeated phrase, often played on a lead instrument such as guitar, piano or saxophone.
- Solo an Italian word to describe playing, singing or performing of one person or on our own.
- Structure how the sections (verses and choruses etc.) of a song are ordered to make the whole piece.
- Swing a type of rhythm often associated with Jazz. Notes in the rhythm pattern are made longer and shorter to create a syncopated effect.
- Syncopation music with lots of rhythmic variety, often quite difficult.
 The strong beats occur in unexpected places.
- Tempo describes how fast or slowly the music is played.

Skills

- **Sing:** To listen to the group when singing. To demonstrate a good singing posture
- **Play:** Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song.
- **Improvise:** Improvise with a feeling for the style of Bossa Nova and Swing using the notes D, E, G, A + B (pentatonic scale/a five-note pattern)
- **Compose:** Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song.
- **Perform:** To choose what to perform and create a programme.

Through the year, knowledge and skills are built on and practised to consolidate and improve.