



# Music Curriculum

## MUSICAL VOCABULARY BANK

### RECEPTION

At Out of the Ark, we believe a music curriculum should enable children to develop their understanding of **musical concepts**, the **inter-related dimensions** and **key vocabulary** through fun, practical and engaging music-making. This vocabulary bank provides a useful overview of the range of musical words that can be introduced to children and is designed to be used alongside the lesson plans in the **Sparkyard Music Curriculum**. Have fun developing high-quality **musical talk** with the help of this handy vocabulary bank.

**Don't forget** – each lesson on Sparkyard has a list of key vocabulary (musical and non-musical).



# RECEPTION: KEY VOCABULARY

	ARTICULATION	DYNAMICS	PITCH	RHYTHM/ DURATION	STRUCTURE	TEMPO	TEXTURE	TIMBRE	SINGING & PERFORMING	ADDITIONAL MUSICAL WORDS	INSTRUMENT NAMES
TERM 1: MY MUSICAL CLASSROOM	Smooth Spiky	Loud Quiet/Soft Silence	High Low	Long Pulse Rhythm Short	Echo Order Pattern Sound	Fast Slow	Layer	Glass Metal Paper Rub Scrape Shake Tap Timbre Whisper Wood	Action Chant Copy Listen Nursery rhyme Perform Sing/Song Start Stop	Ballet Carol singing Composer Conductor Dance Instrument Lyrics Mood Music/Musician Orchestra Rock 'n' Roll	Cabasa Clave Glockenspiel Rainstick Shaker Tambourine Triangle Wind chime Woodblock
TERM 2: MUSICAL PATTERNS AND PERFORMING	Smooth Spiky	Dynamics Loud Quiet/Soft Silence	High Low Pitch	Beat Long Pulse Rhythm Short	Order Pattern Structure Verse	Fast/Quickly Slow/Slowly			Action Copy Expression Listen Perform/ Performer/ Performance Singer Start Song Stop	Audience Barbershop Conductor Instrument Musical score Notation Sound effect	Clave Drum Glockenspiel Maraca Percussion Tambourine Triangle Woodblock
TERM 3: SOUND STORIES	Smooth Spiky	Loud/Louder Quiet/Quieter Silence	High/Higher Low/Lower Pitch	Long/Longer Short/Shorter	Beginning/ Middle/End Order Pattern Sequence Verse	Fast/Quickly Slow/Slowly	Group Layer Solo	Scrape Shake Tap Timbre	Copy Follow Listen Perform/ Performance Start Stop	Ballet Dance Lyrics Musical score Orchestra Sound effect	Bells Boomwhacker Chime bar Drum Glockenspiel Guiro Krin (log drum) Maraca Percussion Shaker Tambourine Temple blocks

