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Music Unit Title	-Ourselves and - Traditional Tales	-Me! -My Stories	Hey You!	Hands, Feet, Heart	Let Your Spirit Fly	Mamma Mia	Livin' On A Prayer	Happy
Topic 1 – Big Question	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> How does music make me feel?	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> What does music make me want to do?	<u>Old school Hop- Hop</u> What did 80s and 90s Hip-Hop sound like?	<u>South African Styles</u> What styles of music come from South Africa?	<u>R&B, Classical, Musicals, Motown, Soul</u> How can music lift your spirits?	<u>Pop</u> Why are Abba still so popular today?	<u>Rock</u> What makes a song become a 'Stadium Anthem'?	<u>Pop / Neo Soul</u> What makes a song sound 'Happy'?
Additional learning	Nativity songs	Nativity songs	Christmas show songs	Christmas show songs	Glockenspiel instrumental 1 Christmas carols	Glockenspiel instrumental 2 Christmas carols	Christmas carols	Christmas carols
Songs and pieces explored in this unit	Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes I've got a body Clap, clap, hands Count your blessings If you're happy and you know it When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears Little Pigs He built a house of straw	Celebration – Kool and the Gang Happy – Pharrell Williams Sing – The Carpenters Sing a Rainbow – Peggy Lee Happy birthday – Stevie Wonder Our House – Madness Roll Alabama – Bellowhead Boogie Wonderland – Earth, Wind and Fire Don't go breaking my heart – Elton John Ganesh is fresh – MC Yogi Frosty the Snowman – Ella Fitzgerald <i>A selection of nursery rhymes and action songs – children to know by heart</i>	Hey You! – J. Mangona Me, Myself and I – De La Soul Fresh Prince of Bel Air – Will Smith Rapper's Delight – The Sugarhill Gang U can't touch this – MC Hammer It's like that – Run DMC	Hands, Feet, Heart – J. Mangona The Click Song – Miriam Makeba The Lion Sleeps Tonight – Soweto Gospel Choir Bring him back home – Hugh Masekela You can call me Al – Paul Simon Hlokoloza – Arthur Mofokate	Let your spirit fly – J. Mangona Colonel Bogey March – Kenneth Alford Consider Yourself – from the musical 'Oliver!' Ain't no mountain high enough – Marvin Gaye You're the first, the last, my everything – Barry White	Mamma Mia – Abba Dancing Queen – Abba The winner takes it all – Abba Waterloo – Abba Super Trouper – Abba Thank you for the music – Abba	Livin' on a prayer – Bon Jovi We will rock you – Queen Smoke on the water – Deep Purple Rockin all over the world – Status Quo Johnny B. Goode – Chuck Berry I saw her standing there – The Beatles	Happy – Pharrell Williams Top of the World – Carpenters Don't worry, be happy – Bobby McFerrin Walking on Sunshine – Katrina and the Waves When you're smiling – Frank Sinatra Love Will Save the Day – Brendan Reilly



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Music Unit Title	-Under the Sea -Dinosaurs	-The wheels on the Bus -Changing	In the Groove	I Wanna Play In A Band	Three Little Birds	Stop!	Make You Feel My Love	Classroom Jazz
Topic 2 – Big Question	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> What does music make me want to do?	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> How do different kinds of music make me feel?	<u>Blues, Latin, Folk, Baroque, Bhangra</u> Why do some songs make us want to dance?	<u>Rock</u> What do different types of Rock music have in common?	<u>Reggae</u> What makes Reggae music so distinctive?	<u>Grime, Classical, Bhangra, tango, Latin fusion</u> Does 'rap' only belong in modern urban music?	<u>Pop</u> Why are ballads so popular when they are often so sad?	<u>Jazz, Latin, Blues</u> Is jazz music really random sounds?
Songs and pieces explored in this unit	Five Jellyfish Once I caught a fish alive Bobby Shafto The waves in the sea A sailor went to sea The big ship sails Dinosaur, dinosaur	The wheels on the Bus (pop/dance version) I am sailing – Rod Stewart Leaving on a jet plane – John Denver On the road again – Willie Nelson Metamorphosis Song – Jack Hartmann Froggy froggy – Harry Kindergarten music The Lifecycle Song – Scratch Garden	In the groove – J. Mangona How blue can you ghet – B.B. King Livin la vida loca – Ricky Martin Jai Ho – J.R. Rahman Lord of the Dance – Ronan Hardiman	I wanna play in a band – J. Mangona We will rock you – Queen Smoke on the water – Deep Purple Rockin all over the world – Status Quo Johnny B. Goode – Chuck Berry	Three little birds – Bob Marley Jamming – Bob Marley Small people – Ziggy Marley 54-46 was my number – Toots and the Maytals Ram Goat Liver – Pluto Shervington	Stop! Gotta be me – Secret Agent 23 Skidoo Radetzky March – Strauss Can't stop the feeling – Justin Timberlake Libertango – Astor Piazzolla Mas Que Nada – Black Eyed peas	Make you feel my love – Adele Make you feel my love – Bob Dylan So Amazing – Luther Vandross Hello – Lionel Richie The way you look tonight – Jerome Kern Love me tender – Elvis Presley	Bacharach Anorak Speaking my peace Take the A train Meet the Blues Back O' Town Blues One O' Clock Jump



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	Ten little dinosaurs The Dinosaur Dance	<i>A selection of nursery rhymes and action songs – children to know by heart</i>	Diggin on James Brown – Tower of Power	I saw her standing there – The Beatles	Our Day will come – Amy Winehouse	ft. Sergio Mendes		
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Music Unit Title	-Food & Drink -Animals	-Superheroes -Our Planet	Your Imagination	Friendship Song	Bring Us Together	Blackbird	Dancing in the Street	
Topic 3 – Big Question	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> What other things can I do when I am singing?	<u>Nursery rhymes and action songs</u> How does music make us feel and act?	<u>Pop/Musicals</u> How can music inspire our imaginations?	<u>Pop/Musicals</u> How can I tell a friend how special they are in a song?	<u>Disco</u> What makes disco music so fun to dance to?	<u>The Beatles</u> Which musical genre best describes The Beatles' style?	<u>Motown</u> How did Motown songs get people 'dancing in the street'?	<i>Updated unit to follow</i>
Songs and pieces explored in this unit	Five little apples One tomato, two tomato Pat-a-cake Five currant buns Polly put the kettle on Old MacDonald Chick, chick chicken Incy, wincy	We could be heroes – David Bowie Wait Mr Postman – The Carpenters I have a dream – ABBA Superheroes – The Script On top of the world – The Carpenters Earth Song – Michael Jackson The Lion Sleeps Tonight – The Tokens	Your Imagination – J. Mangona and P. Readman Supercalifrag... – from Mary Poppins Pure imagination – from Willy Wonka and the Chocolate factory soundtrack Daydream Believer – The Monkees	Friendship Song – J. Mangona Count on me – Bruno Mars We go together – from Grease soundtrack You give a little love – from Bugsy Malone That's what friends are for – Gladys Knight,	Bringing us together – J. Mangona Good times – Nile Rodgers Ain't nobody – Chaka Khan We are family – Sister Sledge Ain't no stopping us now – McFadden and Whitehead	<i>All of the following songs are by The Beatles:</i> Blackbird Yellow Submarine Hey Jude Can't buy me love Yesterday Let it be	Dancing in the street – Martha and the Vandellas I can't help myself (sugar pie honey bunch) – The Four Tops I heard it through the grapevine – Marvin Gaye Ain't no mountain high enough – Marvin Gaye & Tammi Terrell	



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	If I were a butterfly 1,2,3,4,5 once I caught a fish alive The animal fair Five little ducks	<i>A selection of nursery rhymes and action songs – children to know by heart (including Miss Polly link with ‘people who help us’)</i>	Rainbow Connection – from The Muppet Movie A Whole New World - from Aladdin	Stevie Wonder etc You’ve got a friend in me – Randy Newman	Car Wash – Rose Royce		You are the sunshine of my life – Stevie Wonder Tracks of my tears– Smoky Robinson	
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