

NURSERY MUSIC CLASSES

To illustrate the unique approach of music education for nursery aged children, the following is an example lesson plan

Following Conductor	Egg Shakers Bells Maracas Castanets	An exercise with various percussion instruments where the children will learn concentration, observation and rhythmical skills as they follow the teacher.
Percussion Instruments	Triangles Tambourines Cymbals	Using different percussion instruments each week the children will learn different time signatures and musical rhythms.
Octave in bells	Different Coloured Hand Bells	The children will learn the notes of the octave and will be able to play simple and familiar tunes by identifying and reading music using coloured notes. Through this method I will also introduce harmony.
Recorders	Descant Recorder	Each week the children will learn to blow, the fingering of notes and simple tunes on the descant recorder.
Singing	Tuning Forks	Using very simple singing exercises the children will start to learn how to identify musical pitch with their voice.
Term Instruments	Piano (keyboard) Violin Trumpet	Each Term we will focus on a specific instrument and explore ways of playing it.

In addition to the regular weekly activities we will also be exploring various genres of music, including: classical, pop, jazz, country and reggae as well as music from different countries using native instruments. We will also be looking at the solar system as we feature Holst's Planet Suite.

To get the most out of the class, the maximum number of children in each session is 8