



## St Mary's Home Learning

### Learning Project WEEK 12

#### Music

Age Range: Reception

##### Weekly Maths Tasks (aim to do 1 per day)

- Take your child on a shape hunt. Look around the house and garden for different objects that have: 2D shapes – circle, square, triangle, rectangle (oblong) 3D shapes – sphere, cube, cuboid, cylinder, pyramid.
- Sing these shape songs together: [2D shape song](#) and the [3D shape song](#). Then play the [Turtle Diary](#) online game.
- Can your child draw around objects to create 2D shapes? Ask your child to name the shapes they have drawn. Can they cut the shapes out to make a 2D shape picture i.e. a house, rocket, robot?
- Make a clap beat for your child, can they repeat the clapping sequence? Can they make their own for you to follow?
- Find and talk about recycled 3D shape objects e.g. boxes, bottles, tubes, Do they roll? Can you build the shapes on top of each other to make a tower? Can you see any 2D shapes?



##### Weekly Reading Tasks (aim to do 1 per day)

- Story sound effects- Read a story together and add in your own musical sound effects e.g. make swishy swashy sounds with fabric to go with 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. You can repeat this with as many stories as you like!
- Read together the story of [Mr Big](#). Discuss with your child how Mr Big felt when the other animals didn't want to be around him.
- Read and sing a variety of nursery rhymes with your child. Which one is their favourite? Do any of the rhymes have the same rhythm?
- Have a look at some of the different ways music is played. Are there CD's, vinyl records, tapes in the loft that you could show your child? Look at the writing on each and talk about how this gives people information about the music.
- Have a look at and explore musical notes. Talk about how people read the different notes to play different musical instruments. Talk about the different instruments people can play. Which instrument would you like to be able to play?

##### Weekly Phonics Tasks (aim to do 1 per day)

- Play [Odd Sound Out](#). You could play a practical version of this using objects from around the house. Can your child identify which object doesn't begin with the same sound?
- Choose a letter of the alphabet. How many instruments or sounds can your child name that begin with that sound?
- Play [Online Buried Treasure](#) - Click on the sounds your child is learning. Can your child explain what the real word means?
- Ask your child to find a stick from the garden and explore making music around the house by tapping, hitting and scraping. You could ask them to make loud sounds, quiet sounds, sounds that are short and long.
- Play Washing Line Phonics- Peg along a washing line, or clothes airer, a number of different readable

##### Weekly Writing Tasks (aim to do 1 per day)

- Ask your child to think about how some musical instruments are played, for example bang a drum, tap a tambourine, shake the maracas. Write out the words and encourage your child to trace them.
- Write an invitation to your own Family Music Show for a family member. They could watch the show on a video call.
- Your child can draw a picture of the events from their favourite Nursery rhyme. For an added challenge, ask your child to write out the words to a part of the song or the song title.
- Ask your child to sing their favourite nursery rhyme. As they sing each line of the song, they can draw small pictures to help them remember the song.
- Listen to a piece of classical music of your choice. Ask your child to draw/ paint along to the music. How

words. Give your child a simple sentence and ask them to rearrange the words to make that sentence. Simplify to sounds if needed.

does the music make them feel? Can they write onto their picture how it made them feel?

### Learning Project – to be completed throughout the week

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to learn more about music. Learning may focus on famous musicians, listening to and performing music and exploring a range of music genres and instruments.



- **Drummers Drumming** - Using pots, pans and baking trays from the kitchen lay out your own 'drum kit'. Allow your child to explore by banging and tapping the pans to see the different sounds they make. Extend this activity by tapping out a rhythm and asking your child to listen to it then repeat it. You could make this more difficult by adding in a blindfold so they have to rely on the sound to identify which pot or pan they need to hit to copy.
- **Make your own Music** - Your child could create a guitar using a plastic tub with elastic bands wrapped around it. Can your child draw instructions on how to make a guitar for somebody else to follow?
- **Play 'What's that Sound?'** - Have a go at the following games:

**Game 1** - Hum a song to your child that they are likely to know. Can they guess which song it is from the tune alone? Take it in turns to hum out a tune.

**Game 2** - Go into a room of the house while your child listens outside of the door. Make a sound or play a rhythm out on an item in the room e.g. tapping on the table. Open the door and ask your child to find what you used to make the sound.

- **A Family Music Show** - Ask each member of the family to prepare a song and then put on a singing performance. You could select someone to be the judge or ask a family member to watch on a video call and decide on the winner. Don't forget to send the invite first (see writing task).
- **Discovering Different Eras** - [1920s](#) [1930s](#) [1940s](#) [1950s](#) [1960s](#) [1970s](#) [1980s](#) [1990s](#)  
Click on the links above and listen to a sample. Which era did your child find most enjoyable to listen to? Can they dance in the same style?

### Additional resources you may wish to engage with:

- [Numbots](#). Your child can access this programme with their school login.
- IXL online. Click here for [Reception](#). There are interactive games to play and guides for parents.



We would love to see examples of the children's work.

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