

Music Home Learning Menu

You will see below four different boxes of what people think music is. Each week – pick one box (so culture, well-being, creative or connections), and then within that pick one of the tasks that you would like to complete.

For example - in the week beginning 11th May, you could choose the culture box, and then decide on task 3 to do something creative. Of course, you can do more than one task if you want to! Email it to me at the end of each week.

Music is . . . **Culture**

1. **Create a collage** (either on the computer or by hand using your own drawings/cut outs) that shows how music is important in different cultures. Research on Google then email to me.
2. **Investigate why people sing and chant at sporting events and venues.** Write a short article for a sports website to share your findings. Include some examples of popular songs and chants in your article (max 500 words). Send the article to me.
3. **Make your own musical instrument!** This could be to use at a festival or event. You could make percussion out of recycling, or a wind instrument out of a bottle – the more creative the better! There are some ideas here – it is based at younger children but may give you some inspiration! Take a picture of it and send it to me!
<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids/activities/make-your-own-instrument>

Music is . . . **Well Being**

4. **Create an information leaflet to promote a new choir** starting in the community, that identifies and explains the **health and well-being benefits** of singing. Research the information and present it using text and pictures, then email to me.
5. **Find 3 songs that either make you feel happy and positive in some way or that talk about being happy and positive attitudes.** Copy the lyrics of each song onto a word document and write a paragraph to explain what the song is about. Choose two quotes from each song that have a positive message. Email your work to me.
6. **Create your own body percussion beat!** Watch this <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=er3tM9lg7PU> showing how to create your own beat (he has made some other great videos too). Record it and send it to me!

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Creative

1. **Create a piece of music.** Anything you like. You could sing something, you could play on an instrument if you have one. You could use free software on the internet (like bandlab). You could use pots and pans to make a rhythm piece! Record and send to me. This shows you could use anything for inspiration!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WI4YFvkkKSc>
2. **Write and record a rap** using a backing track from Youtube. You must have at least 3 verses and a chorus. Record and email to me.
3. **Create a body percussion/Stomp style performance piece.** Use the Beat Goes On website for inspiration and ideas
https://www.youtube.com/user/OllieTunmer/videos?disable_polymer=1 record and send to me

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Creating Connections

1. **Write a song with friends using video chat or with your family.** Create some lyrics and either find an online backing track (not from a well-known song), or use some simple chords to create your own music. Email if you would like to try this and need help. Type up the lyrics and make an AUDIO recording of the song to send to me.
2. **Keep a listening diary for a week of lockdown.** Ask members of your family and friends on a chat to suggest some music to listen to and fill in a diary for each day showing one track that you have listened to, whether you liked it and why. Search through your music provider and choose some random things that you would not normally listen to too. If you find something you particularly like, share it with your friends. Email the listening diary to me.

Here are some links that may help with any of these tasks:

Virtual drum kit : <https://www.virtualdrumming.com/drums/online-virtual-games/hip-hop-drum-kits.html>

Create a chord sequence <https://chordchord.com/>

Body Percussion ideas https://www.youtube.com/user/OllieTunmer/videos?disable_polymer=1

Singing tips <https://takelessons.com/blog/learning-how-to-sing-z02>

Online piano <https://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano>

Good luck, and don't forget to email work to me at sgoldup@st-maryshigh.hereford.sch.uk