

Grade 2 Music Overview



General Overview: In Grade 2, we continue to work on developing our singing voices through a variety of singing games and dances. We study about classical composers and learn about musical form. We also begin to learn music notation and continue to increase our knowledge of musical terms and rhythms.

Structure: Elements of Rhythm and Melody	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developing our singing voices and building confidence singing alone or in a group• Matching pitch through a variety of singing games• Ear Training: Listening and reproducing rhythmic and melodic patterns by ear• Understanding Musical Form (ABA, ABACA) and recognizing musical terms• Maintaining a steady beat / maintaining a repeated rhythmic pattern (ostinato)• Developing musical proficiency on a variety of instruments (Orff Instruments / percussion)• Learning music notation (notes in the treble clef)
Thoughts/ Images/ Feelings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simple rhythmic and melodic improvisation using various percussion instruments• Describing the feelings provoked by music, analyzing song lyrics• Exploring and describing sounds in nature and ways these are expressed in music
Context: Self and Community / Historical and Cultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrating a willingness to participate in musical experiences• Gaining acceptance of various styles of music from many different cultures• Learning about classical composers and their musical styles• Cooperating in social interactions involving the creation, exploration and expression of music