

Grade 4 Music Overview



General Overview: In Grade 4, we focus on singing and learning to play the ukulele. Through this instrument, we develop musical skills which we can later transfer to any musical instrument.

Structure: Elements of Rhythm and Melody	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increasing our music notation reading skills (sight-reading music in the Treble Clef)• Reviewing rhythms and learning new ones• Maintaining a steady beat when playing or singing• Ear Training, recognizing when to change chords by ear, reproducing melodies/rhythms by ear• Identifying musical signs and terms which appear in our music• Learning Ukulele chords (D, D7, G, A7, A, Em)• Finding an appropriate balance between our singing voice and accompaniments
Thoughts/ Images/ Feelings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rhythmic and Melodic Improvisation on the ukulele, xylophones and other instruments• Analyzing own performances, suggesting what worked well and what could be improved• Listening to and analyzing various styles of music
Context: Self and Community / Historical and Cultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrating a willingness to participate in musical experiences• Analyzing and performing music from a variety of styles• Learning about various classical composers and their musical styles• Developing confidence, self-motivation and a positive self image through musical experiences• Learning to respect one another and co-operate in social interactions involving the creation, exploration and expression of music