Whole Class Ensemble Tuition Curriculum Map – Ukulele (2021-22)

AUTUMN TERM 1 (5 Lessons)	AUTUMN TERM 2 (5 Lessons)	SPRING TERM 1 (5 Lessons)
 Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will be able to sing and play a one-chord song in time to a backing track. Musical Outcome*: To be able to play 'My Dog Has Fleas', 'A Sailor Went to Sea', 'Ukulele Song' New Musical Knowledge: Names of the open strings (G - C - E - A) Natural note names (A-G) The main parts of the ukulele (body, neck, bridge, sound hole, frets, tuning keys, head) Posture and instrument hold Dynamics (loud and quiet/forte and piano) Major chords (a chord is two or more notes played together at the same time) Pulse and tempo New Musical Skills: Simple crotchet/quaver strumming techniques (up/down, using all strings) 	 Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will be able to sing and play a two-chord song using a simple strumming pattern, and be able to finger pick a basic piece Musical Outcome*: To be able to play 'Row, Row, Row Your Boat' (Strumming), 'Fur Elise' (finger picking), and perform in a round New Musical Knowledge: Rounds G chord New Musical Skills: To be able to smoothly change chord from C to G To refine strumming To be able to finger pick To be able to pick To be able to pick 	 Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will be able to sing a four-chord song and play more advanced finger picking techniques Musical Outcome•: To be able to play 'Chord Practice Song; 'Avicii – Wake Me Up', 'One Republic – Counting Stars' New Musical Knowledge: Arpeggios Melody Harmony Texture Musical Score Reading Am and F chords New Musical Skills: To incorporate Am and F chords into songs To be able to pluck open strings (arpeggiated chords) and learn the Travis finger picking technique
 SPRING TERM 2 (5 Lessons) Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will expand their chord vocabulary and begin to use more complicated strumming patterns. Musical Outcome*: To be able to play 'Blues', 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight' New Musical Knowledge: Song structure (verse, chorus) Time signature Stave, treble clef New Musical Skills: To be able to play a four-chord song To be able to play two chords per bar Syncopated chords 	SUMMER TERM 1 (5 Lessons) Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will understand the elements of a good performance including dynamics and structure. They will also be confident using five ukulele chords – C, F, G, Am and Dm. Musical Outcome*: To be able to play 'Take a Chance on Me' New Musical Knowledge: • Riff • Further song structure knowledge (intro, outro) • Increasingly complex strumming patterns New Musical Skills: • To be able to play a five-chord song • Tempo changes, e.g. rall and pauses • Dynamics changes – crescendo, diminuendo • Smooth chord changes across the five chords • Leading a musical group in dynamic changes	SUMMER TERM 2 (5 Lessons) Learning Objective: By the end of this half term, all pupils will understand what makes a great performance on stage and how to produce a successful musical performance Musical Outcome*: • To be able to play 'Row, Row, Row Your Boat' (Strumming), 'Fur Elise' (finger picking), and perform in a round, 'Chord Practice Song; 'Avicii – Wake Me Up', 'One Republic – Counting Stars', 'Blues', 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight', 'Take a Chance on Me' New Musical Knowledge: Performance etiquette and techniques Dynamics and Structure – how to refine a performance New Musical Skills: Following chord charts in a video (YouTube playthroughs) To be able to follow changes in dynamics • Performance technique and etiquette (bowing) • Following the conductor

