

Vocabulary	Meaning
Pitch	How high or low a note sounds
Tune	The pattern of high and low sounds in a song or piece of music
Leap	When you go from a very low pitch to a much higher one, or the other way around
Melody	another word for tune: the pattern of high and low sounds
Step	When you go between two pitches that are right next to each other (only a tiny bit higher or lower)
Scale	A sequence of steps all going up or all going down
Pitched percussion	Instruments you hit which produce a specific pitch
Boomwhackers	Hollow tubes you play by hitting them together or on the ground. The air vibrates inside to make a specific pitch
Chime bars	Small metal bars you play by tapping them. The air vibrates underneath and around it
Pulse	The steady beat which underpins the music (like your heartbeat)
Rhythm	The pattern of long and short sounds and silences
Musical pattern	A series of notes and rhythms that repeat over again
Compose	To create your own music

Key knowledge - Pitched percussion = instruments you hit, scrape or shake on which you can change the pitch



Key knowledge - Using solfege to describe pitch

**Do**, a deer, a female deer,  
**Re**, a drop of golden sun,  
**Mi**, a name I call myself,  
**Fa**, a long long way to run,  
**So**, a needle pulling thread,  
**La**, a note to follow so,  
**Ti**, a drink with jam and bread  
 That will bring us back to **do, oh,**

We can use solfege to describe the pitch we are using.

This song helps us to remember the name for each pitch

Key knowledge - How does the length of a boomwhacker affect the pitch?



The longer tubes are lower pitch, the shorter tubes are higher pitch.

The boomwhackers are rainbow coloured so that we know which note comes next.