



St John Fisher RC Primary School

Year Four Knowledge Organiser – Summer Term One – Music

| Things I will be taught | Key facts to remember: |
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| <p>Lessons 1-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to develop an understanding of formal and written notation. A minim has the value of two crochets or half a semibreve. A quaver lasts for half a beat. John Williams is a composer who has written music for films and television. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing an understanding of formal notation helps in reading and writing music accurately. A minim is worth two beats, which is equivalent to two crochets or half of a semibreve. A quaver lasts for half a beat and contributes to the rhythm in musical compositions. John Williams is a renowned composer known for his iconic scores for films such as "Star Wars," "Jurassic Park," and "Harry Potter," and has won multiple Academy Awards for his work in film music. His compositions often feature memorable melodies and rich orchestration, making him one of the most celebrated film composers in history. |
| Key Vocabulary | |
| Composer | A person who creates music, such as John Williams, known for his work in films and television |
| Formal Notation | A standardized way of writing music that uses symbols to represent notes, rhythms, and other musical elements |
| Minim | A musical note that lasts for two beats; equivalent to two crochets or half a semibreve |
| Quaver | A musical note that lasts for half a beat, often used to create rhythm in music |
| Semibreve | A musical note that lasts for four beats; the longest note in common use |

| John Williams | Listening | |
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| <p>Key Knowledge: John Williams was born on 8th February, 1932, in Floral Park, New York. He is a famous composer known for creating exciting music for movies like "Star Wars," "Indiana Jones," and "Jurassic Park." His music helps tell stories and makes films even more enjoyable to watch. Williams has won many awards for his work and often collaborates with the director Steven Spielberg.</p> | <p>Key Knowledge: John Williams' music is an exciting experience that helps tell stories in movies. His famous themes, like the "Imperial March" from "Star Wars," are easy to remember and make us feel strong emotions. He uses a full orchestra, mixing different instruments to create rich sounds that bring scenes to life. His music often changes in volume, building suspense and excitement during important moments.</p> | |