Foundation Stage - Creative Development - Creating Music and Dance

In the foundation stage children have access to instruments, tape recorders on a daily basis as well as discreet sessions when the children will be working with an adult and then given opportunities to try things on their own

Outlines of approaches:

- Children are encouraged to tune into a range of sound sources
- Explore and experiment sounds using a range of objects as well as percussion instruments
- Listen and join in with songs and rhymes through movement, action and gesture
- Encouraged to move their bodies to different types of music and a regular beat
- Sing favourite songs and rhymes
- Explore the way instruments sound banging tapping, shaking etc
- Join in with dancing and ring games
- Explore repeated rhythms
- Explore how sounds can be changed with and without instruments
- Move in response to a range of music
- Sing familiar songs and rhymes from memory
- Make up their own songs and rhymes

A CD player is available in the setting for children to use to listen to stories, rhymes and songs. Instruments and rhyme cards are available for the children to use as part of our on-going provision.

NB

Reference is also made to LCP Music Resource File for Foundation Stage A range of additional relevant songs, rhymes and CD's are used and can be sought from the music co-ordinator e.g. Out of the Ark series to support themes such as 'Ourselves', 'Water', 'Minibeasts' and 'Easter'