

LKS2 Music Knowledge Organiser: Mamma Mia!

Key Enquiry Question: : Explore the song Mamma Mia! a Pop song by ABBA.

National Curriculum Objectives:

- ★ play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression
- ★ listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory
- ★ appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians
- ★ an understanding of the history of music



Key vocabulary

Word	Meaning
melody	Another name for a tune.
pulse	The heartbeat or steady beat of a song/piece of music.
rhythm	The combination of long and short sounds to make patterns.
pitch	The range of high and low sounds.
tempo	An Italian word used to describe how fast/slow the music goes.
dynamics	How loud or quiet the music is.
texture	Layers of sound in music.
structure	How the sections (verses and choruses etc.) of a song are ordered to make the whole piece.
hook	A term used in pop music to describe a short catchy phrase or riff that we can't stop singing; the bit that 'hooks' us in; the main musical idea from a song that we remember.
riff	A short repeated phrase, often played on a lead instrument such as guitar, piano or saxophone
solo	An Italian word used to describe playing/singing/performing on our own
keyboard	An electric instrument played like the piano. It has a range of pre-recorded sounds.
electric guitar	A guitar whose tone is magnified electrically by a microphone that is built into the instrument.
bass	The member of a family of instruments that is the lowest in pitch.
drums	A percussion instrument sounded by being struck with sticks or the hands, typically cylindrical, barrel-shaped, or bowl-shaped, with a taut membrane over one or both ends.
improvise	To make up a tune and play it on the spot; there is an assumption that it can never be recreated.
compose	Creating and developing musical ideas.
pentatonic scale	A fixed five-note pattern e:g: the five black keys on a piano.
unison	Everyone plays or sings the same music at the same time.

Sticky Knowledge:

- ★ ABBA was a Swedish pop group formed in 1972.
- ★ ABBA has written a number of famous songs including Dancing Queen, The Winner Takes It All, Waterloo, Super Trouper and Thank You For The Music.
- ★ The name "ABBA" is made from the first letter of each member's first name: **A**gnetha Fältskog, **B**jörn Ulvaeus, **B**enny Andersson and **A**nni-Frid Lyngstad.
- ★ ABBA became very popular after they won the Eurovision Song Contest in 1974 singing Waterloo.