



Dear Parents/Carers,

All children have been asked to complete a music research project over this half term. What they will be researching depends on their year group (please see further information below). Children are allowed to choose how they wish to present this but it should be both informative and creative. This project will be due on **Thursday 19th April 2018**. A selection of projects will form part of a display in the school and there will also be a prize awarded to one child in each year group.

Each project should include the following information:

1. *A brief history of the era of music they have been given to study*
(E.g. key dates, what was happening in the world at the time and how this may have influenced composers).
2. *Famous composers from that era and pieces they wrote*
Children should listen to pieces from the composers of the era they are researching and choose at least one to write about, using musical vocabulary (see attached) to express their thoughts about the piece.
3. *Characteristics of that style of music*
(E.g. what are the similarities between pieces from this era? What instruments were used? What were the main types of pieces being composed?)

The following list outlines the era each year group should focus on, as suggestions for composers to research and online resources.

Year 3 and Year 4 – Classical Music

Key Composers

- Beethoven
- Mozart
- Haydn

Resources

- <http://kidsmusiccorner.co.uk/types/classical/the-classical-period/>
- <https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/music-art-and-literature/types-music/classical/>
- <http://www.classicfm.com/discover-music/periods-genres/classical/>
- https://www.classicsforkids.com/music/musical_period.php?id=Classical

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Year 5 and Year 6 – Baroque Music

Key Composers

- J.S. Bach
- Vivaldi
- Handel
- Purcell
- Telemann

Resources

- <http://kidsmusiccorner.co.uk/types/classical/baroque/>
- <https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/music-art-and-literature/types-music/baroque-period/>
- <http://www.classicfm.com/discover-music/periods-genres/baroque/baroque-music-beginners-guide/>
- <http://kidsmusiccorner.co.uk/composers/classical/vivaldi/>

This is a fantastic opportunity for children to research musical history; listen to and appraise musical work; and understand how music relates to the art, politics and history of different eras.

If you would like any further help, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,

Miss J McManus

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