

# ONLINE TEACHING RESOURCES

Useful links for free resources.



## App of the week: **Music Smart - Flashcard Game**



A fun and engaging way to learn!

Music Smart is an excellent accompaniment to learning an instrument. This musical flashcard game includes hundreds of cards, increasing in difficulty from pre-grade to grade 3. Developed by music educators, this app is available on both the App Store and Google Play.



## Website of the week: **Ex Cathedra SingMaker**



SingMaker is about bringing large groups of children and students together to sing in a creative and dynamic way. To respond to the current situation, Ex Cathedra have adapted their work so that even though we cannot gather together, we can still sing together using their new online resource.

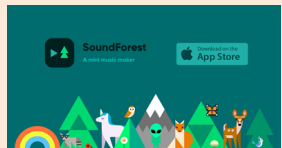
For the summer term Ex Cathedra will be releasing one SingMaker interactive singing film every week, each Monday morning, for KS1 and KS2 children, and there will be an activity sheet to accompany and guide children and teachers in each song.

Read more and get the supporting worksheets on the website below:

<https://excathedra.co.uk/education-participation/singmaker/>



## Other useful links(KS1): **Sound Forest App**



The Sound Forest App allows you to instantly compose a piece of music using a collection of musical creatures. Compose a loop by clicking on the animal symbols and mix these together to create an exciting piece of music. Available on the App Store.



## Other useful links(KS2): **Make Your Own Music!**



Create symbols and denote the sounds they mean.

For example, a star symbol means 'clap', a circle means 'stomp your foot', a triangle means 'hit the desk', and a square means 'snap your fingers'.

Put these instructions on the board and get the children to compose their own music, using only the symbols.

Then let the children display their music on the board while the others follow the 'notes' to create the music.

They will clap, they will snap, and clap again before stomping their feet and hitting the desks...! And all of this will be music to their ears!

([https://www.momjunction.com/articles/music-games-activities-for-kids\\_00387016/](https://www.momjunction.com/articles/music-games-activities-for-kids_00387016/))

## **Warwickshire Music Hub**

<https://www.warwickshiremusic hub.org/home>

Facebook: @warwickshiremusic hub

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## Other useful links(KS3): Composing Music for Film



Explore how film music is composed and hear examples from The Avengers, James Bond and Requiem for a Dream.

Understand leitmotifs, chromatics and other key terms.

Make your own film composition.

### **Create a leitmotif for yourself**

Are you a hero or a villain? Try to create a short musical idea that would work as a leitmotif if you were a character in a film.

What is your favourite film? Listen to the music used when your favourite character is on screen, how does it change throughout the film?

If you want to be the hero, use two notes a fifth apart (like C and G, G and D, or F and C). Base your leitmotif around these two notes.

If you'd rather be the villain, try to use notes very close together (creating chromatic melodies), or leap different distances between notes (some awkward leaps include C-F#, C-G# or C-B).

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3dqhyc/articles/z7bphbk>



## Remote Music Tuition



Warwickshire Music is now able to offer online teaching to all pupils. This will be on a first come, first served basis and where possible, existing students will be matched up with their current teachers.

Please visit [warwickshiremusicclub.org/online-tuition](http://warwickshiremusicclub.org/online-tuition) for more information and to submit your application.



## Young Musician of the Week



To enter, please email a video of your child's performance along with their name, age, school, school year, teacher's name, plus the title and composer of the piece to [music@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:music@warwickshire.gov.uk). The winner will be posted on our social media channels every Friday.

Please submit only one piece per week. You will need to submit a photo consent form in order for your child to take part - this can be found on the 'Parents' area of our website, [warwickshiremusicclub.org](http://warwickshiremusicclub.org). Only your child's first name and title of the piece will be posted if they are the winner.

Entries must be received by 1pm every Wednesday - any entries received after this will be added to the competition for the following week.

Good luck!