## Kindergarten

## Monthly Music Curriculum

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Musical	September	October	November	December
Element				
Hello Song of the Month	-Sing Hello- singing, movement and instrument exploration -Time For Music Tideo -Syanora- good-bye song -Ready for the Hall- line-up song	-Hello Song- solo singing, singing in different languages and listening to music from other cultures -Syonara- good-bye song -Ready for the Hall- line-up song	-Friends- A Sign Language Song- singing and learning simple sign language symbols -Shake Hands with Friends- good- bye song -Ready for the Hall- line-up song	-Friend, Oh Friend- singing and partner dance -Shake Hands with Friends- good- bye song -Ready for the Hall- line-up song
Songs/Rhymes for Teaching Content and Skills	<ul> <li>-I Have an Echo- learn to echo with voice and instruments</li> <li>-We Play and Then We Stopsinging, playing instruments</li> <li>-It's So Great to See You- singing, movement, playing instruments</li> <li>-In Their Home- learning to put instruments away</li> <li>-Little Johnny Brown- singing, put scarves away</li> <li>-The Flea Song- singing, melodic contour in relation to body scale</li> <li>-The Lovely Princess- vocal exploration</li> <li>-Five Little Ducks- singing, literacy connection</li> <li>-Where is Thumbkin?- singing with fingerplay</li> <li>-I Have Ten Little Fingers- singing with fingerplay</li> <li>-Itsy Bitsy Spider and Little Miss Muffit- singing, playing instruments, ABA form, movement</li> <li>-Hand Drum Exploration-improvisation</li> <li>-I'm Gonna Follow- singing, movement</li> <li>-Pop Goes the Weasel- listening and movement with scarves</li> <li>-If You're Name Begins and tambourine body letter game</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><i>-Row Your Boat-</i> singing and movement</li> <li><i>-Down the River-</i> movement</li> <li><i>-My Little Boat-</i> singing and movement game</li> <li><i>-Humpty Dumpty-</i> chant, movement, musical opposites</li> <li><i>-Hickory Dickory Dock</i> with <i>Great</i></li> <li><i>Big Hall Clock-</i> instrument playing, AB form, movement</li> <li><i>-Pumpkin, Pumpkin, Round and</i></li> <li><i>Fat-</i> explore emotions and SB</li> <li><i>-Halloween Creatures-</i> unpitched percussion exploration</li> <li><i>-5 Little Pumpkins-</i> dramatic play with "pumpkin roll" and sound effects</li> <li><i>-Look at this Pumpkin-</i> movement</li> <li><i>-10 Little Speckled Frogs</i> with</li> <li><i>Frog in the Meadow-</i> singing, instruments and movement</li> <li><i>-Jump Frog Jump-</i> solo singing, playing instruments, improvisation, literacy connection</li> <li><i>-Mister Frog-</i>singing and instruments</li> <li><i>-The Spider Kept on Spinning</i> with <i>The Very Busy Spider-</i> movement and literacy connection</li> <li><i>-There's a Spider on the Floor-</i></li> </ul>	-Shoo Turkey- singing, instrument playing -Turkey Feathers- solo singing -The Tree Song- singing, sequencing, movement and instrument playing -Five Little Leaves- singing, movement -Fly, Fly, Fly with The World Is Crying Leaves Today-with Red Leaf Yellow Leaf- literacy connection, movement, singing -Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree- singing, movement, listening game -Standing Like a Tree- singing and motions -Apple Tree- literacy, instrument playing, improvisation -I Go Up the Apple Tree- singing, instrument playing, improvisation -I've Got a Basket of Apples- chant with motions -Apple Picker's Reel- singing, movement, dramatic play -Jack and Jill- drum technique introduction, rhythm and SB	<ul> <li>-Oh a Hunting We Will Go- singing, rhyming pairs, literacy connection</li> <li>-Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear- singing with motions, instrument playing</li> <li>-Brown Bear, Brown Bear- sequencing, call and response, solo singing, playing instruments, literacy connection</li> <li>-Goin' on a Bear Hunt- playing instruments, sequencing, literacy connection</li> <li>-Tis the Season- singing, movement, AB form, dynamic change</li> <li>-Sleigh Ride- (Anderson) listening and playing instruments</li> <li>-Jingle Bells- singing, explore SB pattern of 2</li> <li>-Bell Horses- singing and playing instruments</li> <li>-Wild Horseman (Schumann)- listening, movement, AABA form</li> <li>-The Nutcracker: The Chinese Tea Dance- movement, literacy connection, literacy and listening</li> </ul>

		singing and literacy connection		
<b>Music Literacy</b> (Reading and Writing Music, Theory)	-vocal exploration cards (with slide whistle)	-pumpkin icons for <b>quarter note</b> and rest rhythms -"Stop and clap" game with rhythmic patterns of ta and rest; identify pattern you hear	-Apple Tree- 4-beat SM (sol-mi) patterns with apple and acorn icons -introduce quarter and paired eighth notes with Apple Tree rhythm	-Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear- SM dictation with bear icons -Brown Bear- SM, MRD (mi, re, do) bear icons -The Nutcracker: The Chinese Tea Dance- follow a listening map
<b>Movement</b> (Singing Games, Folk Dances, Eurhythmics Activities, Movement Exploration with Body and Props, Dramatic Play)	-beginning and ending with stillness -"ready to move" position -responding to musical cues (piano improvisation) with appropriate movement including: march, slow walk, skip, tip- toe/running, sway, hop, gallop -creating/moving in a circle -It's So Great to See You- exploring different NLM movements -I'm Gonna Follow- exploration of animal movements with cards -All in One (Eric Chapelle's Music for Creative Dance Vol 1:1)- explore contrasting musical sections with and without steady, using LM and NLM and scarves	-Row Your Boat- explore beat with stretchy bands, partner movement, tempo changes -Down the River- folk dance -My Little Boat- circle game -Look at this Pumpkin, Halloween Creatures- movement exploration -Humpty Dumpty- "egg balance" for isolation of body parts -Hickory Dickory with Great Big Hall Clock- starting/stop with WB cue, moving to subdivisions -Responding to musical cues with LM: march, slow walk, sway, skip/gallop, tip-toe/running -Syncopated Clock- staccato and legato movement with scarves -The Spider Kept on Spinning- explore circles through movement	<ul> <li><i>The Tree Song-</i> explore bodies as "trees" in different seasons</li> <li><i>Five Little Leaves-</i> parachute, melodic contour</li> <li><i>The World is Crying Leaves Today</i>- explore leaf movements with body (swirl, twirl, float, fall, glide, sweep), discover leaf shapes with our body (pointy, round, straight)</li> <li><i>Fly, Fly, Fly-</i> sustain slow 8 count movements with melodic scale</li> <li><i>Under the Spreading Chestnut</i> <i>Tree-</i> move to beat subdivisions</li> <li>Short/Long sounds listening game with quick and sustained movements</li> <li><i>Apple Picker's Reel-</i> dramatic play</li> <li>Tempo Follow with individual walks first</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>-Friend, Oh Friend- partner dance</li> <li>-learn how to find a partner</li> <li>-Tis the Season- choose LM and</li> <li>NLM for each section (add bells)</li> <li>-Wild Horseman (Schumann)- galloping, AABA form</li> <li>-Chinese Tea Dance from the</li> <li>Nutcracker- exploration with</li> <li>legato and staccato movements,</li> <li>use bodies first and then scarves</li> <li>-Dynamics Follow</li> </ul>
Listening (Maps, Analysis through Movement and Instrument Playing)	<i>-Pop Goes the Weasel-</i> exploring accents and legato with scarves, quick reaction accent game as B section	-Hello World- compare music from different places in the world -Syncopated Clock- discover musical elements through questioning		-Sleigh Ride- identify musical purpose of sound effects -Chinese Tea Dance from the Nutcracker-identify musical characteristics through questioning
<b>Instrument</b> <b>Playing</b> (Barred Orff Instruments, Drums and Unpitched Percussion)	-Sing Hello, I Have an Echo, We Play and Then We Stop, and It's So Great to See You: -rest and playing position -how to treat/play instruments -self control -volume control -passing/taking turns	-Halloween Creatures- explore UPP -Mallet technique games with bouncy balls, feathers, bubbles, "Pinch, Wrap, Ready" -Frog in the Meadow- introduce stir xylo and vibraslap with jumping	-Shoo Turkey- UPP exploration -The Tree Song- choose UPP for each verse season -Jack and Jill- rhythm and SB on hand drums, review technique -Apple Tree- SB basses and xylos on apple tree, vibraslap	-Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear- play and read SM pattern on xylophones -I'm Goin' on a Bear Hunt- choose UPP for each verse -Brown Bear, Brown Bear- play SM on xylos and MRD on glocks with partners/two groups -Bell Horses- SB bordun on barred

	-putting instruments away -long and short timbers -metal vs. wood -Itsy Bitsy Spider and Little Miss Muffit- explore sounds on hand drums, exploring melodic direction on barred percussion *Mallet and hand Drum exploration games	- <i>Mister Frog</i> -bordun accompaniment with TB -10 Little Froggies Go Hop- exploring staccato instrument sounds		percussion - <i>Sleigh Ride-</i> wrist bells
Composition	-Create your own vocal picture cards with letters and symbols	-Create your own pumpkin rhythm with pumpkin icons for ta and rest (quarter note and quarter rest)	-Create your own apple icon SM patterns on a two-line staff	<i>-Oh A Hunting We Will Go-</i> make up new rhyming verses
Improvisation	-Hand drum exploration- improvise on B section (piano improvisation)	<i>-Jump Frog Jump-</i> improvise "water music" for story	<i>-I Go up the Apple Tree-</i> improvise a bordun accompaniment on barred percussion <i>-Apple Tree-</i> improvise a SML melody on barred percussion	
Literature Connection	-Five Little Ducks -Itsy Bitsy Spider	-Five Little Speckled Frogs -There's A Spider on the Floor -The Very Busy Spider -Jump Frog Jump	-Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf	-Brown Bear, Brown Bear -I'm Goin' on a Bear Hunt -Oh A Hunting We Will Go -The Nutcracker
History (Composers, Artists, Performers)		-Anderson (Syncopated Clock)		-Tchaikovsky (Nutcracker) -Schumann (The Wild Horseman) -Anderson (Sleigh Ride)

NLM- nonlocomotor movements LM- locomotor movements UPP- unpitched percussion