

Year 2 Music-Home Learning 5:

I hope you had fun singing about all the different minibeasts. Did you find the worm song? I hope you didn't try any-yucky!

Remember to keep checking BBC Bitesize Music and BBC Teach School Radio as there are some fun warm ups, songs, rhymes and musical games to keep your singing voice in tune!

Year 2's next musical challenge is Down On The Farm-phew! Can you smell something? This is the time of year when we revisit some of your favourite songs from your time at John Hampden, so here's one I know you love to sing:

<i>Big red combine harvester</i>	<i>V2: Clattering on, combine harvester....</i>
<i>Big red combine harvester</i>	<i>V3: Cutting the corn, combine harvester....</i>
<i>Big red combine harvester</i>	<i>V4: Threshing the corn, combine harvester....</i>
<i>Chug chug chug chug chugging away!</i>	<i>V5: Big red combine harvester....</i>

Like the minibeast ideas in Music 4, you can make a farm animal finger puppet to tap or dance along to the beat as you sing and chant, and check out your bookshelf at home or the internet (remember to get an adult to help you) to find stories, poems and songs about farm animals and make up sound effects to go with them. Make your own farm animal song and rhyme book, then perform your favourite one to your family.

Do you know the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff? This is a really fun story to add sound effects and practise changing the pitch (high/low) and timbre (sound colour) of your voice to accompany the characters. Have a go at composing a troll chant, using your *piano*(quiet) and *forte*(loud) voices like this: (*piano*)Troll! troll! grumpy troll!
(*forte*)Tried to eat the goats you know!

To practise your chanting and keeping to the beat, have a go at saying some of the farm animal names to a beat, eg, chicken chicken cow cow pig. Try clapping/tapping/clicking each syllable as you chant. When you are confident with your chant, perhaps a family member can make up a new chant and then see if you can put the two chants together! *Challenge*: can you fit 3 chants together?

If you haven't got an instrument to play at home, here's how to make a maraca (shaker): Find a clean, dry plastic pot, bottle or small box from your recycling, preferably with a lid. Put a small spoonful of pasta or rice or lentils or small pebbles or sand or small pieces of stick inside your container and close the lid securely. Decorate your container with paint, drawings, coloured paper, stickers or old magazine pictures or strips. Shake away to the beat or make up your own rhythmic patterns!

Keep singing, chanting and shaking to the beat!

