

# Department Enrichment

## Activities to Support Learning for Music

### Watch it



Follow the links to documentaries/ programmes/online tutorials that will support learning.

#### **Orchestra**

Here you can learn more about the orchestra by playing games or watch some orchestra performances in the 'Young People's Concerts Play section' <https://www.nyphilkids.org/>

#### **Piano and Keyboard Lessons**

For anyone who has a piano or keyboard at home there are song tutorials here: <http://www.piano-tutorials.com/>

Here is a virtual piano you can use on your computer if you do not have a piano <https://virtualpiano.net/>

Some piano/keyboard lessons and song tutorials <http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/keyboard/>

### Also – free streaming of musicals at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OleErO8nXsc>

And

<http://filmedonstage.com/news/76-free-musicals-and-plays-you-can-now-stream-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak-updating-daily>

#### **Guitar Lessons**

<https://www.justinguitar.com/guitar-lessons>

- for anyone who has a guitar at home

<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/guitar/>

- guitar lessons and song tutorials

### Explore it



Have a look at the following websites. There are lots of activities, quizzes and materials that may help to develop your knowledge and understanding of the subject.

#### **Virtual Drum Kit**

<https://www.virtualdrumming.com/drums/online-virtual-games/hip-hop-drum-kits.html>

#### **No Instrument? Use your computer as an instrument!**

<https://apps.musedlab.org/aqwertyon/theory/>

For those who do not have an instrument at home this turns your

computer keyboard into an instrument, use the first link for theory

or this to play along to songs:

[https://apps.musedlab.org/aqwertyon/?video=R7iNSUoQ4Lk&sound=rock\\_organ&](https://apps.musedlab.org/aqwertyon/?video=R7iNSUoQ4Lk&sound=rock_organ&)

#### **Sing! (and other vocal performance – rap, beatbox)**

Singing is a great way to do music if you have no instrument, it is also an activity that can make you feel good. Look up lyrics or a karaoke track on YouTube for your favourite song. To improve your singing try doing some warm ups first. There are some tips on these sites:

<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/vocals/>

<https://takelessons.com/blog/learning-how-to-sing-z02>

<https://www.musictoyourhome.com/blog/6-vocal-warm-ups-for-kids/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvdqhyh/articles/z6c wd6f>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvdqhyh/articles/zn2ht39>

# Try it



Why not challenge yourself and complete one of these extension tasks?

<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids/activities/make-your-own-instrument>

Guides to making your own instruments at home

## **Performance**

<https://www.8notes.com/>

for any instrument there is lots of free sheet music here as well as tutorials and play along tracks

<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/>

song tutorials for all band instruments and voice

## **Song writing**

Have a go at writing a song. Write lyrics then try singing it to a chord sequence – create your own if you have an instrument otherwise use

<https://chordchord.com/>

## **Listen**

Listen to different music on Spotify or YouTube. Try to spot interesting things in the music such as the instruments or elements e.g. dynamics, texture, tempo and describe what you like (or don't like!). Keep a listening diary to write descriptions and keep track of what you listen to.

## **Music Theory**

<https://www.daveconservatoire.org/>

Some more advanced tutorials suitable for those who have done additional music tuition on an instrument or anyone who wants to develop their musical understanding

<https://www.teoria.com/en/tutorials/>

Advanced tutorials and exercises

## **Composing**

<https://musescore.org/en>

music notation software if you want to try to write your own music <https://chordchord.com/>

create chord progressions here

[www.flat.io](http://www.flat.io)

a great notation programme available on mobile devices