

# Music Bulletin

Week Beginning – 13th July 2020

Your musical update from Ms Charatan,  
Ms Welch and Ms Li

## Hello everyone!

This is our last Music bulletin before your summer holidays. Well done to all of you, being extremely responsible with taking ownership of your learning at home. This is a unique way to end our year, but you shall still be very proud of what you have achieved and celebrate your accomplishments with your year group. This week, we have asked your HoYs to recommend a song that they enjoy. We hope these final songs of the week can remind you the good times that you've spent with your friends from the same year group. Do try these musical activities keep you entertained over the summer- you may even want to use one as part of your music summer HL! Have a great final week and enjoy the summer!

### AJK Songs of the Week: Year Group Songs

ARKJOHN KEATS



**Y7: [Make Your Own Kind of Music](#) – Paloma Faith (2018)**

'*Make your own kind of music, even if nobody else sings along*', echoes the message from Ms Currie to promote individuality and encourage you to unlock your full potential

**Y8: [When You Believe](#) - Whitney Houston ft. Mariah Carey (1998)**

Just like the title, 'When You Believe'. During this special time, it's always important to have faith with yourself. You can achieve anything - when you believe!

**Y9: [The Nights](#) – Avicii (2004)**

'*One of the reasons why this is my favourite songs is, when things are difficult this song reminds me of the amazing memories I already have and ones that I want to create for my future. The lyrics and music video often inspire me to book my next holiday!*' – by Mr Mingay

**Y10: [Giants](#) – Josh Osho ft. Childish Gambino (2012)**

Bringing great summer vibes to get you ready for the summer holidays! Enjoy it as you all deserve it and come back together strong like Giants – '*I'm twice the man I am when I'm with you*'

**Y11: [Praise You](#) – Fatboy Slim (1999)**

It's on your leaving video! Just like the lyrics' *We've come a long, long way together. Through the hard times and the good. I have to celebrate you. I have to praise you like I should*' this is the message that comes from Ms Davey.

**Y12: [Move On Up](#) – Curtis Mayfield (1971)**

'*An oldie, but a goldie that is particularly poignant at the moment with the BLM movement and the demands for equality. However, the message also relates to the challenges you have experienced through lockdown. Despite all the difficulties of the last few months it is so important you stayed focussed and not let your plans and future success be any further impacted. 'Remember your dream is your only scheme. So keep on pushing'*' – by Ms Crowley

### Practical music you can do at home: be curious and try some of these out!

- Watch our EoY virtual concert! It will be posted on our AJK [Youtube channel](#) this Friday!
- Read [this BBC bitesize](#) article to have a grasp of British pop music history!
- For [Animal Crossing](#) lovers – why is the theme music so catchy and beautiful? Find it out by looking closer into the details!
- Try and create your own song using this [online sequencer](#).
- [Visual musical minds](#): A youtube channel full of tutorials on a variety of songs and instruments.

### Making Music at Home

- Don't forget about the ARK [online platform](#) full of music enrichment opportunities. The password is 'MusicResources'
- Learn how to Beatbox [here](#)
- Learn an easy but beautiful song: [Amazing Grace](#) on keyboard
- Ukulele chords tutorial on [Avicii's Wake Me Up](#)
- Learn TEN songs where you only need three chords on [ukulele!](#)



### Music Challenge

#### CHALLENGE: Body Percussion - create cool music with your body!

- Beginner level [here](#) and see how fast you can get.
- Intermediate level: play along with the music, [Dance Monkey](#)
- Advanced level [here](#): Learn an advanced funky rhythm!
- Watch how the [performer](#) creates two layers by combining his beatboxing and body percussion skills together.
- Watch this stunning body percussion performance [here!](#)



Challenge: Come up with body percussion that goes with your year song!

### Staff Recommendation of The Week: Mr Mackintosh

#### 'Bohemian Rhapsody' by Queen.

It was the first time I heard my mum listening to music that I actually ever liked. I found the combination of rock with orchestral music, and the pretty trail-blazing video pretty astonishing.

The more of Queen I listened to, the more of their music I discovered – and definitely opened up my music to many wider genres! It is music I still return to regularly more than 20 years later.

Their singer, Freddie Mercury, was a fascinating performer (and the film about him 'Bohemian Rhapsody' is brilliant) and has a fascinating story of life in the 1970s and 1980s.



### Listening/Video Suggestions

Summer holidays are around the corner! Be ready for it whilst listening these lists. Enjoy!

- Joyous music for 'Summer' by Joe Hisaishi, the composer of Studio Ghibli films.
- A famous song sang by Ella Fitzgerald, who was known as the 'Queen of Jazz', '[Summertime](#)'
- How about some rock and roll? Listen to '[Rockaway Beach](#)' by The Ramones
- The legend of British pop – The Beatles, '[Here Comes the Sun](#)'
- [Here](#) is a classical music podcast for some further listening
- Find out more famous female composers [here](#)

