

GRADE 3 MUSIC CURRICULUM

Grade Level Focus:

Music is a way to communicate ideas and feelings.

How are harmonies made?

How does adding harmony make the music more interesting?

Developmental Stage

Students in grade three are developing greater control of their fine motor skills. They can separate movement hemispheres (left/right, cross axis movement). They are curious and love to learn. They can sort and organize objects and ideas, lead and follow directions. They can follow rules in a group.

In their emotional development, these children love to please. It is an age where they still feel an omnipotence, a sense of being the center of their universe, and they have a sense of urgency about their needs. They are emotionally expressive and recognize the cause and effect in their interactions. In other words, they have a growing sense of agency or empowerment. They begin to be able to critique their own music making and that of others.