# River Bank Primary Knowledge Organiser

## Year Six

#### Summer 1

# Music - Journey Into Space

### Key Vocabulary

Chant - speak rhythmically

Rhythm - follows the pattern of words. It is often different to the pulse.

Timbre - the quality or character of the note sound

Dynamics - how loud or quiet

Crescendo – symbol is 🔾 it means to get louder

Diminuendo – symbol is Tempo – the speed of the > it means to get quieter

Graphic score – is the representation of music through symbols Texture – the layers of the music

Families of the orchestra - strings, woodwind, brass, percussion

## Compose

Create an ostinato on the theme of war, using a crescendo.

Create a piece of music, in a group, on a planet.

Use tuned and un-tuned instruments.

All groups will then perform their planet composition to create a whole class soundscape in order of the planets.

Record and evaluate.

#### Listen

1. Gustav Holst is the composer who wrote a piece of music called "The Planets" for the orchestra that describes Space.

There are seven separate pieces of music in "The Planets", we call each one of these pieces a MOVEMENT and together, all seven pieces are called a SUITE (which literally means a collection of shorter pieces of music grouped together).

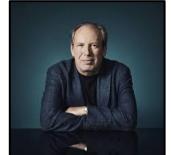
- 2. Sprach Zarathustra by Richard Strauss.
- 3. A Space Odyssey film music

Discuss the instruments used, timbre, dynamics and tempo for each of these pieces and explain why these choses makes the piece effective.

#### Orchestra



# Composer of the half term - Hans Zimmer



Born 12th September 1957.

He is a German film score producer and has won two Oscars (The Lion King and Dune) and four Grammy awards. (The Lion King twice, Crimson Tide and The Dark Knight)

He can also play the piano and keyboards and is skilful at using electronic music. He blends this with traditional orchestras to create his own sound and style.

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He has written countless scores for other movies that you might recognise the music for, but not the film like Pirates of

the Caribbean, The Dark Knight and Top Gun.