



**Fir Tree Junior School**  
**Curriculum Knowledge and Skills Progression**  
**Dance**

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Copies and explores basic movements and body patterns</p> <p>Remembers simple movements and dance steps</p> <p>Links movements to sounds and music.</p> <p>Responds to range of stimuli.</p>	<p>Copies and explores basic movements with clear control.</p> <p>Varies levels and speed in sequence</p> <p>Can vary the size of their body shapes</p> <p>Add change of direction to a sequence</p> <p>Uses space well and negotiates space clearly.</p> <p>Can describe a short dance using appropriate vocabulary.</p> <p>Responds imaginatively to stimuli.</p>	<p>Beginning to improvise independently to create a simple dance.</p> <p>Beginning to improvise with a partner to create a simple dance.</p> <p>Translates ideas from stimuli into movement with support.</p> <p>Beginning to compare and adapt movements and motifs to create a larger sequence.</p> <p>Uses simple dance vocabulary to compare and improve work.</p>	<p>Confidently improvises with a partner or on their own.</p> <p>Beginning to create longer dance sequences in a larger group.</p> <p>Demonstrating precision and some control in response to stimuli.</p> <p>Beginning to vary dynamics and develop actions and motifs.</p> <p>Demonstrates rhythm and spatial awareness.</p> <p>Modifies parts of a sequence as a result of self-evaluation.</p> <p>Uses simple dance vocabulary to compare and improve work.</p>