

## **Topic Work Week 14 – Parents’ Notes**

### **Making Music**

One website for making instruments at home with your child:-

<https://feltmagnet.com/crafts/Music-Instruments-for-Kids-to-Make>

There are other websites which have ideas for this if you would like to explore them as well.

This week and throughout the holiday we are asking the children to make musical instruments using things which they can find in the home.

As a starter Live Music Now have put some you tube clips on the internet which the children can watch with you (Live Music Now have been into school in the past and the children have enjoyed their music). I am going to include a flier from them which has a web address on it for you to access the music.

Some children might want to make one or two simple instruments and make music with them. Use things which you can find around the home and feel free to join in if you are allowed to. Encourage turn taking while doing this.

Some might be interested in making a specific type of instrument eg wind, stringed. When you are out in the community or on walks in the countryside encourage your child to be quiet and listen to the sounds they hear. At home encourage them to replicate the sounds using their instruments. You can join in if you like to.

Some children may want to make a range of instruments and devise a way to record their compositions so that they can play them again eg use symbols to represent which instrument is going to play and how it will be played. They can decide what environment they are going to compose their music for. They may use the videos they have watched for ideas.

I hope that the children will all bring in their instruments in September to play for us.

Perhaps some members of staff would also like to join in and show us their skills too.

Have a lovely holiday and we hope to see you all again in September.