

## Autumn term 1 musical appreciation

Week beginning	Value	Artist/ composer	Links
6.9.21	Service and friendship	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>New beginnings – starting again</b></p> <p>Tracy Chapman (born March 30, 1964) is an American singer-songwriter. She is a multi-platinum and four-time Grammy Award–winning artist.</p> <p>Her first instrument was the ukulele which she started to play when she was 3. By the time she was 8 she was playing the guitar and writing songs. Tracy became famous on the American Folk music scene when she was 24. She performed at Nelson Mandela’s 70<sup>th</sup> birthday tribute concert and the song ‘Fast car’ became a huge hit. Her follow up song ‘Talkin’ about a revolution’ was also a bit hit around the world. Her songs are often about social issues which she sees around her which she feels needs to be talked about. She grew up in Ohio in the 1960s and faced a lot of racism which she talks openly about and challenges.</p> <p>The song ‘new beginning’ was released over 25 years ago but the lyrics are relevant to how the world looks now. It talks about wanting to change the world, start over and how we are the people able to do this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The world is broken into fragments and pieces That once were joined together in a unified whole But now too many stand alone. There’s too much separation We can resolve to come together in the new beginning</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Start all over. Start all over</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://youtu.be/72PkUgZ651k">https://youtu.be/72PkUgZ651k</a>  <a href="https://youtu.be/721JQZw6Spg">https://youtu.be/721JQZw6Spg</a></p>

*We can learn, we can teach, we can share  
The myths, the dreams, the prayer  
The notion that we can do better  
Change our lives and paths  
Create a new world*

13.9.21

## Service and friendship

### **New beginnings – starting again**

**Edvard Hagerup Grieg** (15 June 1843 – 4 September 1907) was a Norwegian composer and pianist. The music he wrote was classical and is classed as one of the 'Romantic Era' composers.

He came from a very musical family – his mum was his first music teacher. They supported him when he said he wanted to be a musician and when he was a teenager, Edvard was sent to study at the best music conservatory in Europe -- in Leipzig, Germany.

He was a pianist and gave concert all over Europe. In the summer, he would go back to his home country of Norway and compose.

Grieg had an active career as a pianist, giving concerts all over Europe. But every summer, he came back to Norway to compose.

He became a great champion of Norwegian music, art and theatre, which is why the great Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen asked Grieg to write music for his play *Peer Gynt*.

The piece 'Morning Mood' is taken from this. It is a very famous piece of classical music. When you listen to it, you can think of a new day starting and how you want to start afresh and make it the best day you can.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QCiqho5DzfY&ab\\_channel=BerlinerPhilharmoniker](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QCiqho5DzfY&ab_channel=BerlinerPhilharmoniker)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nMUr8Rt2AI&ab\\_channel=SeattleSymphony](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nMUr8Rt2AI&ab_channel=SeattleSymphony)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5cYi1q24JU&ab\\_channel=JustInTimberlake-Topic](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5cYi1q24JU&ab_channel=JustInTimberlake-Topic)

		Another movement (this just means a section of the music) is called 'In the hall of the mountain king'. You may recognise it as it appears in Trolls, Minecraft trailers and the adverts for Alton Towers!	
20.9.21	Service and friendship	<p><b>Service (link to Harvest launch)</b></p> <p><b>Beyonce - Beyoncé Giselle Knowles-Carter</b>  (born September 4, 1981) is an American singer, songwriter, record producer, dancer, and actress. She was the lead singer of the all-girl R&amp;B group Destiny's Child and then in 2003 released music as a solo artist. She has released 5 albums all of which have hit singles on them. She is married to rapper JAY-Z and has a daughter named Blue Ivy Carter and twins Sir and Rumi Carter.</p> <p>In 2011, she performed the song 'I was here' at the United Nations humanitarian day. It is a really powerful song telling us to take action. Don't just think about doing things to only make yourself happy, try and make a difference to the lives of others.</p> <p><i>I just want them to know  That I gave my all, did my best  Brought someone some happiness  Left this world a little better just because  I was here</i></p> <p><i>I was here, I lived, I loved, I was here  I did, I've done, everything that I wanted  And it was more than I thought it would be  I wanna leave my mark so everyone will know</i></p>	<a href="https://youtu.be/i41qWJ6QjPI">https://youtu.be/i41qWJ6QjPI</a>

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<b>27.9.21</b>	<b>Service and friendship</b>	<p><b>Service (link to Harvest launch)</b></p> <p><b>Bruno Mars – count on me</b>  Bruno Mars was born October 8, 1985, in Honolulu, Hawaii. The name he was given was Peter Gene Hernandez but was given the nickname Bruno when he was a toddler. His dad was a Latin percussionist and his mum was a Filipina vocalist and hula dancer. When he was four, he entertained people as an Elvis Presley impersonator with his parents' band, the Love Notes.</p> <p>As he grew up, he taught himself to play piano, guitar, bass, and percussion. When he left school, he moved to Los Angeles, and began his career as a musician. He is known for his energetic performances, retro style (the music sounds like old classics) and managing to use a wide range of styles like pop, R&amp;B, funk, soul, reggae, hip hop, disco and rock.</p>	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Msl2fl3h59I&amp;ab_channel=DopeLyrics">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Msl2fl3h59I&amp;ab_channel=DopeLyrics</a>
<b>4.10.20</b>	<b>Service and friendship</b>	<p><b>Service (link to Harvest launch)</b></p> <p>The Pretenders – I'll stand by you  <b>The Pretenders</b> are a British–American rock band who started performing together in March 1978. The original band had four members: Chrissie Hynde who sang and played guitar, James Honeyman-Scott on lead guitar and keyboard, Pete Farndon on bass guitar, and Martin Chambers on drums. Chrissie was the main song writer. The band has changed members over the years but she still performs in the band.</p> <p>The song 'I'll stand by you' was written in 1994. It talks about how if someone is feeling really sad and down, you can be a strong and faithful friend. It is a really famous</p>	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuWAGT9ZkYE&amp;ab_channel=TSDSeason2BJolly">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuWAGT9ZkYE&amp;ab_channel=TSDSeason2BJolly</a>

		<p>song which has been covered by lots of other famous singers and bands.</p> <p>As we complete our Harvest appeal, we can think about how we have been the strong and faithful friends to people in our community. Even if we have never met them, we have helped them in some small way.</p>	
<b>11.10.20</b>	<b>Perseverance and respect</b>	<p>Black history month - British Black musicians (with a link to Birmingham)</p> <p><b>The Kanneh-Masons</b> are seven brothers and sisters ranging in age from 24 to 11 years old all of whom play either violin, piano or cello. They have won many prizes and awards and appeared in lots of tv shows.</p> <p>Their mum and dad played musical instruments to a really high standard but chose not to be professional musicians. They had careers in different things.</p> <p>Their mum, Dr Kadiatu Kanneh was born in Sierra Leone but grew up in Wales. When she was an adult, she lectured in English at the university of Birmingham. Their dad, Stuart Mason, was born in London, but his parents came from Antigua.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.kannehmasons.com/">http://www.kannehmasons.com/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4s_4nKx-CY&amp;ab_channel=Popcorn">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4s_4nKx-CY&amp;ab_channel=Popcorn</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4s_4nKx-CY&amp;ab_channel=Popcorn">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4s_4nKx-CY&amp;ab_channel=Popcorn</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_LmRcr8Mm4&amp;ab_channel=ShekuKannehMasonVEVO">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_LmRcr8Mm4&amp;ab_channel=ShekuKannehMasonVEVO</a></p>
<b>18.10.20</b>	<b>Perseverance and respect</b>	<p><b>Black history month - British Black musicians (with a link to Birmingham)</b></p> <p><b>Laura Mvula</b> is a British recording artist, songwriter and composer. She was born in Birmingham and grew up in Kings Heath. Her mother is from Saint Kitts and her father is from Jamaica. Laura played piano and violin at</p>	<p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5akYnlwubDo&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5akYnlwubDo&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cG8dCuMibdI&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cG8dCuMibdI&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kyR_EJQmqqs&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kyR_EJQmqqs&amp;ab_channel=lauramvulaVEVO</a></p>

		<p>primary school and later attended Swanshurst School for girls.</p> <p>In 2008 Mvula graduated from Royal Birmingham Conservatoire with a degree in composition. She was signed to a record label in 2012 and has released albums since which have been released around the world.</p>	
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