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Music Lesson Plan for 3rd Grade Class

Overall goal: Students will learn all parts of an orff orchestration as well as movement piece to a song in Dorian attached to this document, which is about animals to see in the forest. In addition to the orff parts and movement, we would like to pair the sounds of animals with certain instruments (for example, when the bird goes “tweet” we use hand cymbals).

General Weekly Goal/Teaching Plan (In reverse order):

Week 4: Students break up into groups and play/do all parts of orchestration and dance. (We were thinking of using music on the piano to facilitate transitions of switching groups, maybe they could clap or stomp to the beat while transitioning)

Week 3: Pitched Instruments

- S-A-B xylophones
- Revisit movement piece learned, and unpitched instruments if time permits

Week 2: Learning Movement Steps / Unpitched instrument section

- Interpretive style dance
- Main instrument parts as well as instruments signifying animal sounds

Week 1: Rote Song teaching of song in Dorian

- Teach song through rote until students are comfortable with the song
- Add simple movements (i.e tapping their hands to the beat while singing)