



Knowledge Organiser for Year 1/2 Music – Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker



Tier 3 vocabulary

Ballet	A story told through music and dance.
Bar	The chunks that music is divided into.
Crescendo	Gradually getting louder.
Melody	Another word for tune.
Pulse	Music's heartbeat.
Waltz	A dance with 3 beats in a bar.

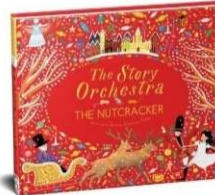
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky was a Russian composer of the Romantic period. He composed many ballets including *The Nutcracker*.



large orchestra



very loud
and very soft



music tells a story



emotional



Trepak (Russian Dance)

2 beats in a bar

fast
and
loud



dancers jump and
kick their legs



Waltz of the Flowers

waltz (3 beats in
a bar)

slow
and
soft



dancers swirl
and sway

Reception: Children learnt about
orchestral instruments in Prokofiev's
'Peter and the Wolf'.

Year 3: Children will learn about
Music telling a story through
Mozart's Opera 'The Magic Flute'.