pBuzz_®

Makes for a magical, musical playtime **www.pbuzz.co.uk**

pBone_®

The world's best-selling trombone www.pbone.co.uk

pTrumpet_®

The world's first all plastic trumpet **www.ptrumpet.com**



Our Vision
The world's greatest musicians of the future will start their musical journey with us.

just play!





pBuzz for the Texas Elementary Music Class room

- Why are we here today?
 - Company background
 - pBuzz the instrument

All, Steven

- Applications for the Classroom
 - How to get started
 - Integrated and/or Independent usage
 - Ideally suited for beginners
 - Practical Tips
- TMEA 2017 Elementary Music Instructional Support Program
 - Preparation What can you do today?
 - Tips for Grant writing
 - Steps in the Process What to expect?

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Melissa



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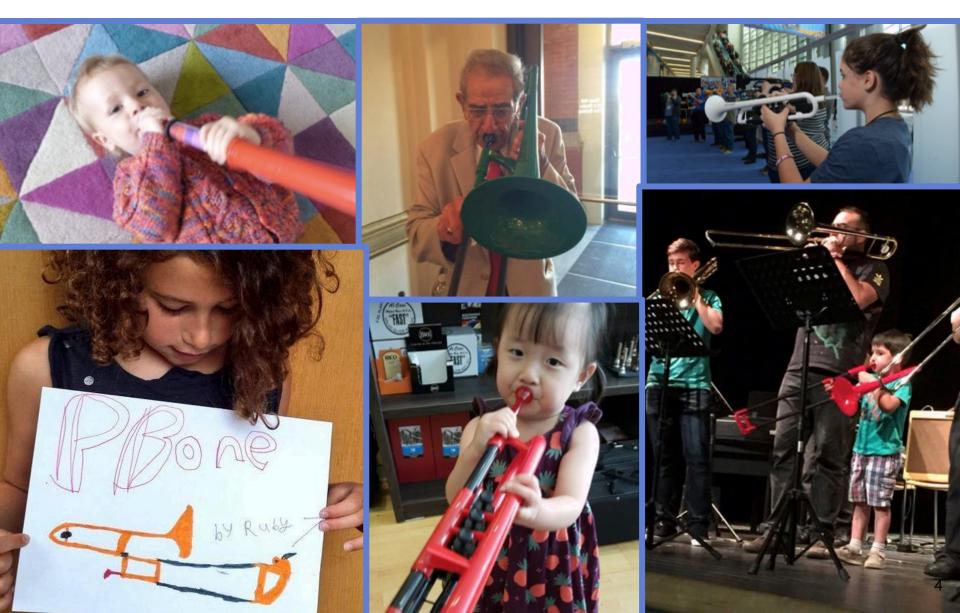
Why plastic instruments began?

- Trombone officially an "endangeredspecies" (UK Government)
- A generation of musicians was being lost
- Plastic offered unique opportunities to make things easier





*Creating Life Changing Experiences



*Nurturing the next generation



* Making Music Fun





What we wanted to solve?

 Beginner instruments are often limited to recorder and harmonica, traditional and restrictive choices

- Effortless creation of the first sound
- Focus on buzzing
- Ability to learn and play notes
- Design suitable for young children



 Increase the number of Musicians and potential of future Brass Players





Here is what we gave them

- Accessible instrument
- Very tough and robust
- Rests effortlessly in your hand large or small
- Maintenance free
- Clear hand positions
- Patented technology delivers unbeatable sound quality
- Industry leading product quality
- Low cost
- Colorful and fun!





- + What is pBuzz?
 - → Easy & Fun way to learn Music

A musical instrument:

- Introduce buzzing to make a musical sound
- Ability to play six notes
- Slide the bell towards you to create a high note and away from you to create a low note





*What is pBuzz?

A new and unique beginner instrument:

- 5 inch Bell
- Lightweight
- Range of F-C in concert pitch
- Single harmonic
- Notes, numbers and colours for pitch
- Plastic Material
- Our unique beginner mouthpiece
- Bio-cote in mouthpiece



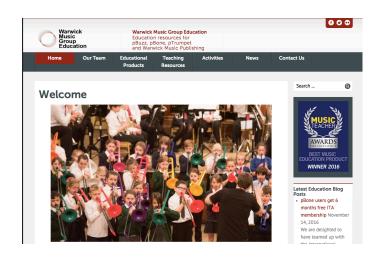


Lets look at one Video





*Education Resources





Videos

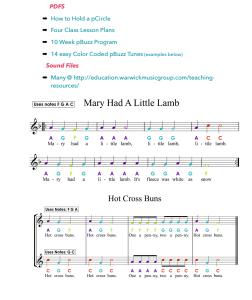
These materials are aimed at 6-7 years old but are suitable for children from 5-8 years old. The four-session plan creates a beginning in brass knowledge along with a concert performance. The key learning objectives include left from right, pulse and pitch along with performance skills.

The scheme is largely informal in that no written material is used from the pupil's perspective and most skills are delivered through a listening activity.

Below is a link to a 10 minute film explaining the plan alongside a film of the performance and reactions from parents, teachers and pupils.

- NEW! I Feel Good (Sheet Music, down 4 steps) by Melanie A. Hilden, Music Department Coordinator, Colegio Menor -San Francisco de Ouito, Ecuador (PDF)
- . NEW! Introduction and Resources Guide (USA) by Keith Dye, Jenny Dees and Analisa Byrd [PDF]
- . NEW! Learn to play pBuzz interactive powerpoint with backing tracks for the primary classroom by Martin Yates
- NEW! Learn to play pBuzz (Teacher Handbook) lesson plans to support interactive powerpoint for the primary classroom by Martin Yates [PDF]
- . NEW! Scheme of Work, Lesson Plans, WCET Pieces and Backing Tracks currently supporting the delivery of KS1 and early KS2 whole class learning on pBuzz in Hillingdon Primary School [Dropbox]
- NEW! 8-week Programme on pBuzz at KS1 shared by Antoinette Pardoe, Music Coordinator at Hilton Primary School, Derby [Word]
- TMEA 2017 pBuzz Handout [29Mb PDF] I Low Res Version
- Watch the pBuzz Product Showcase at TMEA2017
- Four Session Plan [PDF]
- 10 Week pBuzz Program [PDF]
- 14 easy Colour coded pBuzz Tunes [PDF]
- Backing Tracks to pBuzz Tunes: Incy Wincy Spider | Mary Had a Little Lamb | Ode to Joy | When the Saints | "I Feel Good" [MP3]
- YouTube Playlist "How to make a Buzz" [Video]
- · pBuzz project with primary school children [Video]
- pBuzz project with primary school children "full performance" [Video]

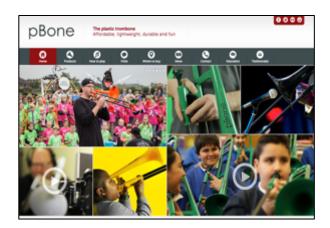
Library



Resource Guides



*Websites



pbone.co.uk



ptrumpet.com



education.warwickmusicgroup.com



pbuzz.co.uk





Applications for the Classroom

Singing, pBuzz, Ukeleles & Percussion (8-9 years)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rmVi4vu0-mU&list=PLm2MS258i451cWd-WFmvJ1ptJ93Mi3pqu

pBuzz, music games, marching (6-7 years)

https://youtu.be/J1wal4VVaQY

Contemporary Popular Music (7-10 years)

https://youtu.be/SgThWCorRMg



Practical Tips

- Begin warm up in playful by showing "horse sound" video
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r74l_b4pDJg
- Prompt and reflect on lips vibration
- Work with Mouthpiece alone
- Discover positions on pBuzz with "I spy/I hear"
- Color compose





What Teachers Are Saying

"The use of PBuzz with older students is an exciting journey as I watch them make connections to recorder, reading music notation, and singing! I am excited to listen to their ear training develop even further as the students match pitch with other instruments! One of my students said "this instrument is so cool to learn, it's hard to figure out at first, but once the sound comes out it's so awesome". That's the excitement I love seeing in children when they learn to make music."

- Analisa Byrd, San Antonio, NISD

"The pBuzz is the updated recorder for modeling the trombone. The colorful plastic pBuzz makes learning fun which encourages young students to play a brass instrument."

- Dawn M. Forsythe, Director of Bands, Jefferson ITS

"The pBuzz! Finally, a way to help my elementary students experience the brass family in a hands-on way. Most elementary music teachers have examples of the percussion, woodwind, and string families in their classrooms in forms that allow the students to actually play and learn. But brass instruments are rarely part of the elementary"

- Peggy Turner, Oakhurst Elementary, FWISD



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TMEA Elementary Music Instructional Support Program

- Preparation What can you do today?
 Familiarize with TMEA webpage:
 - https://www.tmea.org/programs/emisp

Check out:

http://www.westmusic.com/tmeaelementarygrant

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... and future professionals



