



## **Bringing Music into the Classroom Beyond Music Time**

Incorporating music throughout the day can bring a smile to a child's face, sparking joy and activating happy endorphins. Even when it seems they aren't paying attention, young children constantly absorb their surroundings. Music not only enhances their mood but also helps refocus behavior.

This makes it the perfect opportunity to introduce children to a variety of musical genres allowing them to develop their preferences from an early age.

At Kids' MusicRound, we understand that classroom schedules are packed, often leaving little time for music. That's why we've identified key moments in the school day where music fits naturally and seamlessly.

### **Good morning and welcome!**

One of the best ways to set the classroom mood is by playing music as children enter. Upbeat tunes can have them bouncing to the beat, while softer melodies encourage a calm and focused arrival. Gather songs for a playlist. Here are some of our favorites.

- Here Comes the Sun – The Beatles
- Sunroof – Nicky Youre
- Count On Me – Bruno Mars
- Let It Go - Frozen
- La Despedida – Daddy Yankee (Spanish)
- Happiness – Charlie Brown
- Happy – Pharrell Williams
- Somewhere Over the Rainbow – The Wizard of Oz
- When Can I See You Again – Wreck-It Ralph
- Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy – Boogie Woogie
- Walking on Sunshine – Katrina & The Waves
- Any collection of Disney favorites
- Marches or waltzes
- Compile a playlist of the children's favorite songs that will have them singing as they arrive.

Here are links to instrumental music to consider:

- Quiet music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ekY8EvrZmM>
- Happy music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ubnDMTUui1Y>
- Bluegrass fun: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZgYmGDQVIkE>

## Transitions

Music makes transitions enjoyable and seamless. Keep a playlist handy for moments like lining up at the door, heading to lunch, or rotating through stations. Pick a favorite class song to sing together while transitioning from one place to another.

Consider having the music match a particular movement, for example, creeping, jumping, walking, etc.

## Leaving for home!

Gather at the door with music, a smile, and a wave goodbye!

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