

Tchaikovsky Knowledge Organiser – Year 2

Sticky Knowledge

- ✓ Pyotr (Peter) Ilyich Tchaikovsky was born in Russia on 7th May 1840.
- ✓ He died in Russia on 6th November 1893.
- ✓ Tchaikovsky was a composer who wrote lots of music that told stories.
- ✓ He learnt to play the piano at a young age and by age 9 he could read music as well as his music teacher.

Important facts to know about Tchaikovsky:

- ✓ He wrote famous music for ballets including:



The Nutcracker




Sleeping Beauty




Swan Lake

Notation

 crotchet = 1 beat

 quaver = $\frac{1}{2}$ beat

 crotchet rest = 1 beat rest

Big Idea

Tchaikovsky was a famous composer. His music was written in the Romantic period.



Vocabulary

Dynamics: How loud or quiet a piece of music is.

Tempo: How fast or slow a piece of music is.

Improvise: Make something up on the spot!

Percussion: Instruments played by banging, tapping or shaking.

Crotchet: A note that lasts one beat.

Quaver: A note that lasts half a beat.

Crotchet rest: No sound for one beat.

Conductor: The leader of the orchestra.

The History of Music timeline

