



ST. ANNE'S C.E.(VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL



MUSIC CURRICULUM STATEMENT

'Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend'

Music is a unique way of communicating that can inspire and motivate children. It is a vehicle for personal expression, and it can play an important part in the personal development of people. Music reflects the culture and society we live in, and so the teaching and learning of music enables children to better understand the world they live in. Besides being a creative and enjoyable activity, music can also be a highly academic and demanding subject. It also plays an important part in helping children feel part of a community. We provide opportunities for all children to create, play, perform and enjoy music; to develop the skills, to appreciate a wide variety of musical forms, and to begin to make judgements about the quality of music.

The objectives of teaching music in our school are to enable children to:

- know and understand how sounds are made and then organised into musical structures;
- Know how music is made through a variety of instruments.
- Know how music is composed and written down.
- Know how music is influenced by the time, place and purpose for which it was written.
- Develop the interrelated skills of performing, composing and appreciating music.

Intent

We want our children to enjoy listening to and creating music, providing a variety of experiences through different genres and instruments. As a school we give children the chance to play instruments, with specialist musical tuition in Year 3 through the K2M program. We aim to provide this through our own singing groups, school performances and St Anne's got Talent giving the children the confidence and opportunities to sing in front of each other as soloists, or as members of a group. We want to nurture and build upon their musical skills to give them a love of music throughout their lives.

Implementation

The National Curriculum forms the backbone of our musical provision; however, we acknowledge that not all staff will be specialists. The Charanga music program forms the skeleton of our planning and all staff have access to this programme. In EYFS the children have daily access to musical instruments and music as well as accessing Music Express. Within KS1 and KS2 Charanga is used exclusively. Staff use the new Model Music Curriculum, sometimes supporting this with

aspects of the original Charanga programme, giving full coverage of the National Curriculum. In order for children within KS2 to receive their entitlement to music Y3 have a weekly K2M lesson provided by Entrust, while Y4-6 are taught by the Music Lead via a carousel. As a school we are aware that a child's only access to music teaching may be in school so a variety of instruments are offered. Throughout the year we offer opportunities to enhance their musical experiences through singing, K2M concerts, St Anne's got Talent, Mini Glee, Christmas concerts and celebrations at St Anne's Church.

Impact

We aim to give every child a love and understanding of music which will carry them through life. Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A high-quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen without discrimination to the best in the musical canon.