

INTENT

At St Mary's CE Primary School we aim to foster a life-long love of music by making pupils familiar with classical and diverse musical experiences and igniting a passion for music. By listening to and responding to different musical styles, finding their voices as singers and performers and as composers, will enable them to become confident and reflective musicians.

To develop our pupil's musical ability, they will be:

- Learning to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument.
- Understanding and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, through; pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and musical notations.
- Performing, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of genres, styles, traditions and historical periods, including the works of great composers and musicians.

IMPLEMENTATION

The music curriculum ensures our pupils sing, listen, play, perform and evaluate. This is embedded in classroom activities, various annual concerts, musical clubs, specialist music tuition groups, year group performances and the learning of instruments. The elements of music are taught in classroom lessons so that children can use the language of music to discuss it, and understand how it is made, played, appreciated and interpreted. In the classroom, students learn how to play various un-tuned and tuned percussion instruments. Within our curriculum, children will cover different elements of music, learn important vocabulary and develop a good understanding of how music has changed throughout history.

By learning an instrument, they will give performances to their peers and enhance the habit of practice, determination and teamwork. They also learn how to compose focusing on different dimensions of music, which in turn feeds their understanding when listening, playing, or analysing music. Composing or performing using body percussion, vocal sounds and technology is also part of the curriculum, which develops the understanding of various musical elements.

IMPACT

We use the New Charanga Music School Programme, to support teaching and learning. It encompasses the related skills of playing, singing, listening for creating music, in all a comprehensive scheme of music. Skills are continually revisited and built upon throughout the pupils' musical learning journeys and as they progress results in deeper and richer musical outcomes. Children will understand the relevance of what they are learning within music and enjoy their musical experiences within school. As a staff, we will evidence children's work throughout school and ensure they experience performances from others as well as performing themselves. Through music, children will feel a sense of achievement, confidence, resilience and reflections.