

## Be a Musician!

## **Music Curriculum – Intent and Implementation**

At Church Hill Infants our music curriculum intends to inspire creativity, self-expression and encourages children to build their passion for different musical experiences. As an Infant school, music plays a huge role in our day to day school life. Music underpins the foundation of learning in early reading and phonics and these key skills transfer across to other core subjects.

Within our curriculum we expose children to a diverse range of musical styles including traditional songs and instruments from other countries. This develops an understanding of culture and history, both in relation to students own individuality, as well as ethnicities from across the world.

The music curriculum ensures that students have the opportunity to sing, listen, play, perform and evaluate. This is embedded in the explicit teaching of music as well as in singing assemblies, various concerts, performances and the teaching of instruments. We also look for links to music in other areas of the curriculum such as history and geography. We provide children with the opportunity to connect with others by developing their teamwork and listening skills. The teaching of music promotes our school values through working collaboratively and showing resilience. We provide the children with the platform to build on their own unique talents and through positive encouragement we give children the confidence to share and perform their talents with an audience.

## Oracy

Oracy is woven into each music lesson to ensure children have the opportunity to talk about different styles and genres of music, respond to unfamiliar music types and give opinions/discuss feelings about a piece of music. Subject specific vocabulary is identified for each year group, to ensure build up of language skills and to encourage the correct use of musical terminology.

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2 I can describe a piece of music using musical language.	
3 & 4 year olds	I can concentrate on and listen to different		
Listen with increased attention to sounds.	pieces of music.		
Respond to what they have heard, expressing		I can sing songs from memory.	
their thoughts and feelings.	I can find the pulse by moving my body.		
		I can think of sensible movements to match different musi	
Reception	I can say what I like or dislike about a piece		
Listen attentively, move to and talk about music,	of music and describe how it makes me	I can identify some common musical styles (classical, oper	
expressing their feelings and responses.	feel.	pop etc.)	
Watch and talk about dance and performance			
art, expressing their feelings and responses	I can listen to a simple rhythm or melody.	I know the lyrics to some songs off by heart.	
Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying		I know some songs have a chorus or a response/answer pa	
attention to how they sound.	I know different genres of music.	I know that songs have a musical style (classical, opera, pop	
Learn rhymes, poems and songs.	I know the pulse is the steady beat of the	etc.)	
	song.		
I know that we can move with the pulse of the	I know different pieces of music can make		
music.	me feel different feelings.		
I know that the words of songs can tell stories	I know the melody is a sequence of notes.		
and paint pictures.			
I know the stories of some nursery rhymes.			
Vocab	Vocab	Vocab	
Words, listen, rhymes, poems, songs,	Lyrics, genre, pulse/beat, melody/tune,	Chorus, verse, classical/opera/pop, lyrics,	
respond, story.	notes.	response/answer.	
respond, story.			

Musical Knowledge - skills and knowledge						
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2				
3 and 4 year-olds	I understand that pitch describes how high					
Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match').	or low sounds are.	triangle, cymbals, maraca, chime bar, castanet.)				
Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as	I understand that rhythm describes the	I can play instruments using the correct techniques and w				
up and down, down and up) of familiar songs.	, mixture of long and short sounds, which are	respect.				
Play instruments with increasing control	performed on top of the pulse.	I can play an instrument loudly/quietly, fast/slow.				
to express their feelings and ideas.						
	I can name different musical instruments.	I can copy a pulse and rhythm using an instrument.				
I know songs have sections.		I know how to play basic percussion instruments.				
	I can use musical words and phrases to describe a piece of music.	I know how to play a drum, tambourine, triangle, cymbal,				
		maraca, chime bar and castanet.				
	I know pitch means high and low sounds.					
	I identify high and low pitches.					
	I know the pulse is the steady beat of the					
	song.					
	I know that rhythm describes the long and					
	short sounds. I know how to describe music using musical					
	vocabulary such as fast, up-beat, high/low.					
Vocab	Vocab	Vocab				
	Pitch, rhythm, long/short (sounds),	Drum, tambourine, triangle, cymbal, maraca, chime ba				
High/low, fast/slow, up/down, instrument, chorus.	pulse, beat, piano, guitar, drum, recorder.	castanet.				

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	
3 and 4 year olds Remember and sing entire songs. Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs Create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know. Play instruments with increasing control to	I can copy and help to create a simple rhythm or melody using one, two or three notes. I can write down some notes of composition. I can perform chants, rhythms, rhymes, raps and songs.	I can improvise simple rhythm using different instrument including the voice. I can use my voice expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes with growing confidence. I can use tuned and untuned classroom percussion to pla accompaniments and tunes.	
express their feelings and ideas. Reception	I understand how to sing musically after warming up, sitting or standing well so that	accompaniments and tunes. Use tuned and untuned classroom percussion to compos and improvise.	
Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. ELG	I can project the sounds confidently. I can express my feelings about a performance. I know that music is made up of notes.	Practice, rehearse and present performances to audience with a growing awareness. I know that a tuned instrument plays different notes. I know that an untuned instrument doesn't play different	
Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs; Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.	I know that music is made up of notes. I know the notes of the composition can be written down and changed if necessary. I know a performance is sharing music with other people, called an audience. I know composing is like writing a story with music. I know everyone can compose.	notes. I know that my voice is an instrument and can be used expressively. I know that music can be composed or improvised.	

	Unit Overview from Charanga							
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
EYFS	Me!	My Stories	Everyone!	Our World	Big Bear Funk	Reflect, Rewind and Replay		
Year 1	Hey You!		In The Grove		Your Imagination			
Year 2	Hands, Feet, Heart		I Wanna Play In A Band		Zootime			