

# Music

## Intent

In Music our intention is to provide our pupils with a range of musical experiences and a music education to engage and inspire. We want to spark their creative and imaginative talents and help them to develop a love of music and skills as musicians. In addition to this we hope to increase our pupils' self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement through music. As pupils progress, they will listen without discrimination to different musical genres and cultures and develop their communication skills that will allow them to make critical analysis as well as learning to compose their own pieces.

## Implementation

Pupils experience weekly music lessons or block music lessons which are themed around the current topic. Pupils will be exposed to a range of cultural experiences and genres. Pupils are encouraged to sing, play, improvise and perform using technology and a range of instruments. Pupils are exposed to in-class teaching and a range of external musicians who provide rich and engaging workshops for our pupils. The varied teaching approaches incorporate Charanga and the Kapow scheme alongside singing lessons and instrumental practice. This will enrich pupils musical experiences and confidence to perform. Alongside class teaching there are a range of clubs and a school choir. Currently we have a local musician delivering 1:1 and small group sessions; he also supports productions in school. In addition, we welcome 'Gigs for Kids' and a range of other artists to perform in different genres using different instruments. Pupils have the opportunities to create and perform pieces for the ENO, visit the orchestra and perform at the Bedfordshire Festival of Music, Speech and Drama.

## Impact

Through our carefully planned curriculum, we hope that our pupils will be able perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians. Pupils will build confidence and will experience music in a range of ways which promote their wellbeing and a love of the arts. Our pupils will learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others whilst having the opportunity to learn a musical instrument and use technology appropriately. They will also develop and gain understanding of pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

