

## Music at St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Our intentions for the Music Curriculum throughout school is to enhance our everyday life and the life of the school. Music should be explored and enjoyed creatively. It is a universal subject which can be accessed in many ways including: playing an instrument, listening, analysing, creating or performing. Music can be used to express yourself, it can help us meditate and be still and it can support our learning and wellbeing.

How we will implement the Music Curriculum across the school:

In Nursey, we discover music through songs and stories, using our voices and exploring instruments and the variety of sounds they make.

Throughout KS1, children explore how music is made up through beat, rhythm and pitch. What patterns can we play and how do they affect the music? Which instruments can make the loudest, highest and lightest sound? Why? What is the instrument made of? They explore beat, rhythm and instrumentation whilst developing their own vocal talents.

In KS2, our musical tastes are developing further. Which genres do we like and why? How is the effect created and can I do the same? We look at musical devices and how they transform and structure a piece of music. We also look at where music comes from, what inspires it to be written and when/where is it used. In KS2, all children have the opportunity to learn an instrument and be part of the choir.

**The impact of our Music curriculum will be:**

Music at St Anne's plays a major role in our relationship with God. Hymns and prayers are a way for us to talk to God. It is an integral part of our Masses and services. The children connect with the hymns by choosing their favourites to express what they would like to say to God.

All classes work on developing aural, vocal and performance skills through the music they study. All of Key Stage 2 are expected to analyse performances they hear, live or recorded to analyse: What works musically? What can be changed? What did they like/dislike about the structure/instruments/dynamics?

By the time children leave St Anne's, they will have explored many different genres, styles devices and instruments from around the world. They are able to notate music they have created either graphically or on a scale and have had the opportunity to perform to their classmates and a wider audience. They understand how music can be used, the benefits of it in our society and have formed their own preferences to style/compose. Most of all, Music is enjoyed in every form by the whole community.