



Music

Intent

At St George's Beneficial Primary School music is part of our whole school life. We aim to 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. Pupils will experience instrumental lessons plus a diverse selection of music styles. Performance will predominately involve singing. Our children learn a music instrument in Y4 led by Portsmouth Music Hub and some have the opportunity to participate in Rock Steady.

Pupils will:

- listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians
- explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the interrelated dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations
- *appraise*
- *practice*
- *perform*

In addition, the school embraces musical experiences from singing in assemblies, performing to parents and going to concerts in local venues. Through it we reflect our Christian values. We hope pupils will share their musical likes (and dislikes).

Implementation

Music lessons will generally be delivered weekly using the published Charanga scheme, unless there is a planned reason to block a unit of work linked to a topic. Within this scheme, there are opportunities to learn to play a tuned instrument and read music. Additionally, music will be used to enhance other areas of school life. That will include singing in assembly; performing to parents e.g. Christmas, Easter and Leavers; watching musicals, modern music and classical concerts at theatres in our city; and taking part in church services via video or in our local church. When it is available, we will subscribe to instrument lessons for an entire year group as provided by the Portsmouth Music Hub. There is also the option for children to have other musical opportunities: performing at the Guildhall with other schools (Portsmouth Music Festival); singing carols to local community groups; and lessons (at a small additional cost) with the Rocksteady organisation.

Impact

All pupils will benefit from a high-quality music education which engages and inspires them to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians. It will increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they will develop a growing musical vocabulary that allows them to critically engage with music. Teaching and learning of music is a reflective process for the children as they are given the opportunities to assess themselves and their peers. The children also celebrate their success and skills with their peers and wider audiences. Music attainment will be measured and recorded using the whole school OTrack system. This will then be reported to parents through the annual report in July.