

Statements of Intent for Oaklands Junior School:

Listen and Appraise - develop a curiosity for the subject and appreciate high-quality music drawn from different traditions.

Sing and Play – sing and play with developing confidence.

Improvise and Compose – compose and create simple melodies.

Perform and Share - perform, listen and review music.

At Oaklands, we aim to offer a well-rounded music curriculum using Charanga and other music resources. We believe that it is important to engage and inspire children to develop a love of music, whilst also encouraging them to pursue their own passions in the subject.

Our music teaching focuses on children's ability to sing and learn about the structure of music. We aim to teach the year groups about different genres of music and encourage them to appreciate music in its different and varying forms. At Oaklands, children also have the opportunity to work on compositional skills, where they are able to work with others to refine and develop their work.

By the end of Year 6, children are expected to show a deeper understanding of the curriculum. Among other skills, the children are expected to talk about music and how it makes them feel, using musical language to describe. When playing or composing, they are expected to play with the correct technique and listen and reflect upon developing compositions and make decisions about how the melody connects with the song. Children can contribute to the performance by singing, playing an instrumental part, improvising or by performing their composition and discussing their thoughts and feelings towards it afterwards.

We understand the need for children to understand the importance of music within wider community and that the pupils are able to use their skills in a variety of different contexts. Due to this understanding, we encourage pupils to participate in a range of musical activities in addition to classroom-based lessons. The children partake in year group plays, church services and weekly singing assemblies. We also offer personal music tuition, which can be added to enrich the curriculum and the opportunity to join the school choir and participate in the WASMA concert.

Due to the Covid pandemic, we been unable to participate in WASMA and have been working with instruments in year group bubbles.

KS2 Music Curriculum Subject Aims

Pupils should be taught to:

- ♣ Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality music drawn from different genres and cultures, developing an understanding of the history of music.
- ♣ Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory
 - ♣ Use and understand musical vocabulary and notations
 - ♣ Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes
- ♣ Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression