



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

'Living and Learning in Faith'

Intent

At Our Lady's Primary School, we understand the enjoyment that music brings and the lifelong benefits to all who participate in musical activity.

In line with the National Curriculum, we introduce our pupils to a range of musical genres from different historical periods and contexts, allowing them to develop an appreciation for varied styles and sounds. As they progress through school, our children build the confidence to experiment with sound, learning to play familiar songs and create their own compositions of increasing complexity.

Our pupils regularly enjoy the opportunity to join together in musical activity both within their classes and across school.

Implementation

At Our Lady's, we use the online platform Charanga for our music teaching in the classroom, incorporating the Model Music Curriculum. Lessons are progressive, cover a range of musical genres and encourage the children to listen, appraise and participate confidently in all aspects of musical activity, building their confidence with musical vocabulary. Tuned and percussive instruments are regularly used in class for performance, composition and improvisation. Singing is embedded in our weekly hymn practices and all children, from reception to Yr 6, learn a range of worship songs, frequently singing in parts. The children's singing skills are demonstrated regularly through their participation in worship, Stockport-wide musical events and at the end-of-year Year 6 production. In addition, Year 3 pupils enjoy learning African drumming in weekly lessons delivered by a specialist music teacher.

Impact

By the time our pupils leave Our Lady's, they will be familiar with a wide repertoire of songs and music from different cultures and historical periods. Our pupils will have acquired musical knowledge enabling them to sing, play, compose, perform and appraise music with confidence and enjoyment.

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