

Music Woodside Academy

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Intent, Implementation & Impact

INTENT

- To introduce children to a wide variety of music of diverse styles.
- To give children musical experiences in learning, listening, composing and performing.
- To give children an experience of making music with the voice and instruments.
- To give children the opportunity to understand the relationship between sound and symbol and develop a working knowledge of systems of notation for use in composing and performing.
- To instil within children, a love of music which will form the keystone to future enjoyment and achievement.

IMPLEMENTATION & IMPACT

SINGING

There is more to singing than just singing! Children will learn about vocal health and the importance of correct breathing and posture through warm-up exercises. By singing songs from different methodologies and musical genres, they will learn to sing expressively and confidently. They will have regular opportunities to sing during class and assemblies as well as celebrations throughout the year. *Singing enhances mental wellbeing and is a great tool for group and whole school collectiveness.*

LISTENING

Listening to music from all genres and cultures will give children the ability to understand different musical styles, instruments and see how key musical devices (like tempo, dynamics etc.) are used in real terms. *Children will develop a good appreciation of all styles of music and have the skills to interpret and analyse, helping them for future learning in KS3.*

COMPOSING

Writing their own music, from a simple rhythm to a more complicated melody will instill confidence in their own musical ability. Composing will start in its basic form, with on-the-spot creations of rhythms or short melodies and develop into the formal creation and writing of a short song, learning how to compose for a theme and using their gained musical knowledge effectively. Using music technology to create and explore music. *Children will develop creatively and gain confidence in their musical ownership.*

PERFORMING

Performing will include in-class individual playbacks of music they are learning, whole class performance to conclude a learning block, and more formal performances with an audience. Children are encouraged to perform throughout their time at Woodside and already we have found most relishing to take these opportunities. *Like composing, performing allows children to gain confidence and showcase their abilities.*