

Music Implementation 2022 - 23

- Children at St. Austin's participate in a weekly music lesson.
- At St. Austin's we make use of the online musical resource Charanga for delivery of music across the school.
- Charanga planning is used by teachers to drive children's development within music. Every year group will build upon the learning from prior year groups therefore developing depth of understanding and progression of skills. This serves as a base to aid and enhance our teaching, but is not intended to be rigidly adhered to. Teachers should make professional judgements about when to adapt, miss out or add additional materials where this would benefit learning.
- Lessons provide opportunities for children to develop practical skills and progress by listening and appraising, singing, playing, composing and performing.
- We promote an enjoyment and foster interest through regular singing practice and other extra-curricular opportunities such as the school choir or samba band.
- Pupils experiencing difficulties will be given extra encouragement by working in small groups with the teacher or with a more musically able child.
- Pupils are given the opportunity to listen to a wide range of music from around the world and from different genres, cultures and periods of history. They will also learn about the sizeable contribution made by the city of Liverpool to the rich tapestry of musical achievement.
- Performances take place within various school activities and are integral to the school ethos.
- There will be an annual music evening for children to perform instrumental and vocal music.
- Charanga can be supplemented by the subject leader's and the teacher's own input to match and compliment the creative curriculum.
- Access to Charanga resources is available to all staff.
- Music skills and skills progression are monitored, as is the delivery of music.
- There are a full set of xylophones and a number of other tuned instruments including: keyboard, tambourines, hand drums, bells and more. These can easily be moved around the school.

EYFS and Nursery

Children are taught to sing songs, make music and dance. Children are given opportunities to experiment with ways of changing sound and develop an understanding of pulse rhythm and pitch. Children follow a scheme of work from Charanga Music School and enjoy listening and responding to different styles of music, learning to sing, joining in with nursery rhymes and action songs which leads to playing classroom instruments and performing for others. Children are also encouraged to use everyday objects to make music and create sound.