

Music Policy



Deepcar
St. John's C.E.
Junior School

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A Policy for Music

Teaching:

Music is taught weekly throughout the year and fulfils the statutory requirements set out in the National Curriculum. This is done using the Kapow Primary Music scheme.

Coverage:

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Y3	Catch up Unit 1 (Performing and composing based on African music.)	Catch up unit 2 (Basic elements of music based on a Space theme)	Creating compositions in response to an animation: Theme - Mountains
Y4	Body & tuned percussion: Theme - Rainforests	Catch up unit 2: (Singing, performing and composing based on Viking songs and pentatonic scales.)	Rock and Roll
Y5	Catch up Unit 1 (Traditional Indian music and instruments, Rock and Roll.)	Catch up unit 2 (Pitch, tempo and dynamics – Rivers; Adapting and transposing – Romans.)	Composition to represent the festival of colour: Theme – Holi festival
Y6	Catch up Unit 2: (History of the Blues, improvisation; African drumming)	Dynamics, pitch & texture: Theme - Fingal's Cave	Theme and variations Theme - Pop Art

Collective Worship:

During daily Collective Worship, children are given the opportunity to listen to and appreciate a variety of music from a range of different composers and cultures. They also sing a variety of songs, mainly from the 'Out of the Arc' series. Some of these include 3 part singing. Some singing is accompanied by the piano.

Resources:

There are a wide range of musical instruments, both tuned and untuned. These include some multi-cultural instruments as well as electronic keyboards. There is a full class set of soprano glockenspiels. These are all stored in a central location on the edge of the dining room. There are also 2 pianos in school: one in a Year 4 classroom and the other in the hall.

Assessment:

Class teachers use PITA (Point in Time) assessments to assess the children's knowledge and understanding each half-term.

Extra-curricular music:

Children are given the opportunity to learn either the electric guitar, keyboard or drums as well as singing as part of Rock Steady Music. This gives children the opportunity to be part of a rock band during weekly lessons. There is also a choir after school which is open to all children.