

Vision For



'...speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,' Ephesians 5:19

At St. Mary's, it is our vision that every child adopts a lifelong love of music and that lessons give children the opportunity to aspire to become real musicians.

As well as being taught through our Connected Curriculum Topics, music is delivered, across the school, by our specialist



music teacher. Weekly music lessons are lively and interactive and aim to foster a passion for and awareness of music in children of all abilities.

The children participate in - singing lessons and assemblies, with the added opportunity to join our school choir; tuned and untuned percussion work and listening to live and recorded music. All children are taught the skills to be able to compose using musical instruments and when the children are ready, musical notation is taught, introducing them to the correct musical terminology e.g. rhythm, melody, pitch, dynamics. It is our vision that all children will be able to read and understand basic music notation by the time they leave St. Mary's.

Children are also given the opportunity play the violin and ukelelie, where they receive expert tuition from our outside partners.

We believe that the skills involved in playing and listening to music will help our children develop the self-esteem, self-discipline, cooperation, creativity, resilience and self-motivation necessary for success; and that through our 'Singing Assemblies' develop a deeper and more compassionate understanding of their faith, through the medium of music.

... music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. (DfE National Curriculum Music) https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/239037/PRIM ARY_national_curriculum_-_Music.pdf