

Music at St Agnes CE Primary School



At St Agnes CE Primary School we provide an engaging and inspiring curriculum that promotes our core value of 'love to learn'. Based upon the needs of our children, families and the community, our curriculum aims to equip pupils in acquiring the cultural capital needed to flourish in education and beyond. We achieve this through a knowledge based and skills led approach, rich in language and vocabulary, supported through enriching experiences which allows all of our children to 'learn do well'. Pupils will leave St Agnes well prepared for the next stage of their education – enabling them to grow into active, responsible members of society 'living well together', in modern Britain.

Why we teach Music

We want the children to learn an appreciation of music, music performance and different styles and variety of music. We also want them to enjoy music and appreciate the benefits it can bring to your health and well being.

We have chosen to use Charanga to supplement our curriculum to give children as wide and varied experience of music as possible whilst supporting staff to deliver it confidently.

To provide children experiences out with their normal home environment and to improve their cultural capital of experiences in primary school

Use the intro from the website to help you with consistency of wording—<https://www.st-agnes.manchester.sch.uk/curriculum/>



School Choir performing at the Deans Trust.

What Music looks like at St Agnes?

The children enjoy singing, playing music, steel pans lessons, recorders, children have attended musical events and school performances.

How can we evidence attainment? We are currently looking at the best ways to assess music in an efficient and manageable way with reference to the progression in learning.

A person who has an enjoyment and understanding of different types of music and can perform confidently in front of an audience and show appreciation of others performances.

How we teach Music

We use the Manchester scheme called Charanga to support our curriculum. All lessons are made up of three sections **Listen and Appraise**, **Musical Activities** include Games, Singing, Playing, Improvising and Composing, **Perform/ Share**. Music is planned from the National Curriculum and linked to our Curriculum. Charanga is a fun and child friendly resource helping children to experience listening and moving to different pulses, listening and appreciating different styles of music., learning songs and performing them, using percussion instruments to accompany music and learning notation and playing a tuned instrument. Music is taught once a week in all classes from Nursery up to yr 6. We are currently reviewing our assessment process to make it more user friendly and effective. The curriculum is planned on a yearly overview to ensure all objectives are covered and then it is reviewed every term and at the end of the year. Currently staff are offered free training from Charanga on a yearly basis but we are also looking at how we can support the development of music teaching in school.

Useful Resources

<https://charanga.com/site/>

Websites children can access

<https://www.outoftheark.co.uk/>

Links to national curriculum

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/239037/PRIMARY_national_curriculum_-_Music.pdf

"I have learned all the songs by heart because I loved them"

Ayaan 5T

"I love I'm still standing, its my favorite song"

Manahil 2T

"I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music."

Billy Joel