

## Introduction

New Wave teachers inspire pupils with a rigorous, creative and collaborative music curriculum. We see music as a universal language; a way of communicating and a vehicle for personal expression. Music plays an integral part of global culture, past and present, helping pupils to develop a love of music as well as their awareness of their talents as musicians. We provide opportunities for all pupils to create, play, perform and enjoy music, and to nurture a love for learning.

## Aims

The aims and objectives of learning through music are:

- To be able to perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions
- To be able to learn to sing and to use their voices
- To be able to create and compose music on their own and with others
- To know they have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence
- To understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

## Personal Goals and Yes to Success Values

New Wave teachers believe the IPC Personal Goals and Yes to Success values of resilience, focus, creativity and inquisitiveness build part of the foundation in nurturing pupils of the future. These goals and values help to develop both individual qualities and learning dispositions that allow pupils to grow in a rapidly changing world. To enable pupils to reach their full potential in Music, New Wave teachers provide opportunities for pupils to practise and understand these goals and values within each learning task. Children are regularly given the opportunity to perform to each other and to members of our school communities during assemblies, shows and musical showcases.



# Music Policy



## Curriculum

Music learning in the EYFS, Key Stage One and Two is taught by our specialist music teachers who adopt a thematic approach; linking learning to our IPC units with clearly defined music learning goals. Whilst there are opportunities for pupils of all abilities to develop their musical knowledge and skills in each learning task, the planned progression built into each IPC unit means that pupils are increasingly challenged to deepen their musical understanding as they move through each milestone.

## New Wave Mastering Approach

New Wave teachers make musical learning an inspiring, exciting and innovative experience, encouraging pupils develop their knowledge, skills and understanding of music at a mastering level.

We focus on developing the pupils' ability to be mastering in recognising musical notation, playing an instrument and singing in tune both as a solo and ensemble performance to deepen their understanding of the structure and organisation of music.

Pupils become mastering in knowing how to respect, listen to and appreciate different forms of music from their home and host countries and the wider world.

Pupils develop an understanding of musical history, appreciating a range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.

## Assessment

New Wave teachers assess pupils' knowledge and understanding by questioning, recording, listening to and observing performance as an on-going process during music learning tasks.

We rigorously assess pupils' musical skills against National Curriculum criteria to assess whether they are working towards the expected standard, are working at the expected standard or are working at greater depth.



High Aspirations ○ High Standards ○ High Achievement