



Nurturing the Future, Inspiring Success

Music

Intent

At North Farnborough Infant School, children gain a firm understanding of what music is through listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing, and composing across a wide variety of historical periods, styles, traditions, and musical genres. Our vision for music is that we provide every child with high quality music experiences which engage and inspire them. We provide opportunities for all children to create, play, perform and enjoy music and to appreciate a variety of music styles.

We aim for every child to leave North Farnborough Infant School with a range of musical skills, knowledge and an understanding and love of music which they can carry with them for the rest of their lives.

Implementation

Children at North Farnborough experience music in a range of contexts.

Children are taught music weekly in discrete lessons following the acclaimed Charanga Musical School scheme. Through this scheme, children are taught to develop their musical understanding, make musical judgements, develop their aural memory, express themselves physically and emotionally and create their own musical ideas.

Within this scheme, children use both voice and instruments (such as glockenspiel and recorder) to learn, perform, improvise and compose a range of pieces from across the ages and around the world.

Charanga is divided into six units of work for each year group, covering the six school terms of the year. Each unit is comprised of the strands of musical learning which correspond with the National Curriculum for Music:

- 1) Listening and Appraising**
- 2) Musical Activities** (including warm-up games, singing, playing instruments, improvisation, composition)
- 3) Performing**

Music is also taught within our cross curricular topics in all year groups, supporting children in developing an understanding of music within its cultural and historical context.

Music also has a significant role in our cultural celebrations throughout the year, with children learning and performing songs for events such as harvest festival, Diwali, Christmas and Easter.

All children learn and perform songs for Christmas performances to parents and the wider community.

Safe Respectful Ready