



## Intent, Implementation and Impact of Music at Oak Meadow

### Intent

The National Curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils:

- Perform, listen to, review and evaluate music
- Be taught to sing, create and compose music
- Understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated.

At Oak Meadow the intention is that 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 objective is to develop a curiosity for the subject, as well as an understanding and acceptance of the importance of all types of music, and respect for the role that music may play in a person's life. We are committed to ensuring children understand the value and importance of music in the wider community, and are able to use their musical skills, knowledge, and experiences to involve themselves in music, in a variety of different contexts.

### Implementation

The music curriculum ensures students sing, listen, play, perform and evaluate. This is embedded in music lessons as well as weekly singing assemblies, performances to parents in year group assemblies and the learning of instruments. The elements of music are taught so that children are able to use some of the language of music to dissect it, and understand how it is made, played, appreciated and analysed. In the classroom pupils learn how to play an instrument, and in Year 4 they take part in wider opportunities to learn wind, percussion and keyboard instruments. In doing so they learn to understand how to create notes, as well as how to read basic music notation. They also learn how to compose focussing on different

dimensions of music, which in turn feeds their understanding when listening, playing, or analysing music. Children also have the opportunity to learn brass and string instruments in extra-curricular clubs.

### Impact

Whilst in school, children have access to a varied programme and the integral nature of music and the act of performing music will help them to feel a sense of achievement, build their self-confidence skills, encourage interaction with others and develop their skills of self-reflection and an appreciation of music. Music will also develop an understanding of culture as well as ethnicities from across the world. Children are able to enjoy music, in as many ways as they choose- either as listener, creator or performer. They can sing, dissect music and comprehend its parts.

From tiny acorns **mighty oaks** grow...

