Music Subject Report



# WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Music 2022-2023

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Our in-depth music curriculum continued this year with use of the Charanga scheme for those not using external providers. Charanga remains popular with teachers for ease of use and content so will be continued into the next academic year. Charanga is used from EYFS onwards and provides a good level

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of consistency throughout future years as lessons and resources follow the same format. In EYFS, the focus is nursey rhymes and action songs.. Year 3 and 4's guitar lessons have taken place on Wednesday by an outside provider which has given the children the opportunity to learn a new instrument.

'Seesaw' has been used to evidence work and it has been successful. Ease of upload and the variety of skills that can be shown are the most positive factors, but moving forwards, each class must now have a consistent schedule. Years 2, 3 and 4 have great opportunities and these must be evidenced.

Weekly singing assemblies have taken place in KS1 and in KS2, where the children have learnt a range of songs incorporating their wellbeing and many celebrations across the year such as Harvest, Easter and Christmas. There were two dance workshops for a carnival which relied heavily on Caribbean and Brazilian music. Year 6 were also able to perform the Musical 'Wind in the Willows to parents as well as featuring songs in the Leavers' Assembly.

The school choir had a busy year. They sang at our annual open evening, Mayford Grange during Christmas. They sang at the o2 as part of the Young Voices choir and also took part in the Woking Schools Singing picnic. All events were greatly received and the children loved singing to an audience. We look forward to taking art in all these events next year.

The choir and the external providers made good use of the 'Symphony Suite', an all-new room dedicated to music in Westfield school. This has improved the quality of music lessons in numerous ways. Setting up and moving instruments no longer uses lesson time. An interactive Whiteboard at the front has been used to teach the lessons as well as save the presentations for further evidencing.

# Curriculum: Intent, Implementation, Impact

### Intent

For children to experience a range of opportunities to explore the Music curriculum in a creative and engaging way. All children should have opportunities to listen to music from different cultures, should learn the history of different genres as well as have opportunities to listen, appraise, compose and perform. These experiences should motivate and increase the confidence of the pupils at Westfield.

### **Implementation**

Each unit of work from Charanga and Rock and Pop creatively links to each aspect of the National Curriculum including music from different genres, history of genres, listening, music notation and performing. The children have still had opportunities to explore a range of musical genres as well while Years 3 and 4 have continued with Guitar lessons from an external provider.

Children's understanding is assessed through our Foundation Subjects assessment grid, through the teachers at Rock and Pop and through assessment guidance on Charanga. Evidence is also seen on 'SeeSaw'

Children have lots of opportunities to listen and perform, mostly during lessons as learning is performed together and when at the end of a unit. Once a week singing assemblies give the opportunity for KS2 to learn and perform together, while Year 6 have the opportunity to perform during the school play and Leavers' Assembly.

Choir also have a range of opportunities to perform to parents and adults. This will continue into the next year with more opportunities becoming available.

Students of music can be more emotionally

### Next steps:

Ensure that Seesaw is being used consistently in all year groups at least once a half term when children are performing

Ensure the smooth transition of a new music provider for music provision on a Wednesday

Ensure the choir continue to take part in external events and showcase their talents.

# 5 Key messages of the year: What Performance Information is monitored? What are the 3 questions are you considering for future developments? Key Questions: • Subject Leader has been able to continue to How much evidence can we attain? keep a good profile of music across the Including whole school, individual classes, after school. Music starts from EYFS and is school, external classes, school trips etc. prevalent throughout the years. • Choir has had many opportunities to perform 2. How can we give more opportunities for to an audience children to learn different instruments and new skills. • Guitar sessions are successful in Year 4, but Year 3 should be monitored, in case its is 3. How can we ensure the children are all being pitched too high. accessing the music provision on a Wednesday • SeeSaw is an effective way to evidence music progression, but now must be used consistently. Assessment for Foundation Subjects to be maintained. What is progress like within this subject? How much funding did you receive this year and what was it spent on? Funding was spent on subscriptions to Music Progress has continued at a steady rate throughout all groups at the school. SEN, Pupil sites such as charanga. premium and EAL have seen continued Music was paid to groups such as rock and progress. pop guitars and primary workshops as well, throughout the school. Remaining money was spent replacing instruments which are broken We are received funding from the PTA for additional insturments. How does your subject area help to further How are Fundamental British Values promoted develop SMSC (Learning for Life) in and within your subject? around the school? Famous British bands and individuals are • Many musical education programs require teamwork as part of a band or orchestra. In these groups, students will learn how to Different faiths and music related to work together and build camaraderie. them is covered across Year groups.

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developed, with empathy towards other cultures They also tend to have higher self-esteem and are better at coping with anxiety.	<ul> <li>Individuality is represented through playing and singing, with children given the opportunity to experiment and compose.</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Investing in creative education can prepare students for the 21st century workforce.</li> </ul>				
The new economy has created more artistic careers, and these jobs may grow faster				
than others in the future.				
If you could change/ develop one thing in	What will be the three key resources you will			
this area what would it be and why?	be bidding for this year and why?			
Changing the Wednesday music provision so that the children get more opportunities to paly	<ol> <li>Instruments to continue physical, practical and skills based learning.</li> </ol>			
different instruments and learn new skills across the year. Grooveline will be our new provider for 2023/2024	<ol> <li>External workshops and teachers to give professional specific teaching which will inspire.</li> </ol>			
	<ol> <li>Subscriptions to high quality sites, to benefit teachers and students understanding.</li> </ol>			

# Subject Web: Why do we teach what we teach?

Every child is entitled to a broad and balanced curriculum. We aim to provide the highest quality of education for all our children, in an environment that is challenging, motivating, disciplined, caring and moral, where children can acquire the skills and knowledge appropriate to their individual needs through the delivery of a creative Music curriculum. This provides opportunities for individuals to acquire knowledge, skills and understanding; promote the spiritual, moral, cultural and mental well-being and development of our pupils through Music; and prepare pupils for the opportunities and experiences of adult life. We promise a range of exciting learning and life experiences through our Music curriculum.

# 6 key skills:

- 1. Listening and appraising different genres of music-identifying instruments, beats, themes
- 2. Singing familiar and unfamiliar songs using pitch and volume.
- 3. Playing a range of untuned and tuned instruments- beginning to identify note names and notation.
- 4. Improvisation- to play a simple made up melody using a series of notes and beats
- 5. Composing- creating a short musical piece thinking about the melody, rhythm, volume and timbre
- 6. Performing- using all of the elements above to share pieces of music with their peers and to an audience.

### How do you ensure every skill is taught within your subject?

Evidence is recorded on SeeSaw and subject leader makes routine checks and student voice meeting take place half termly.

### Topics taught across each year group:

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
R	Charanga -	Charanga -	Charanga -	Charanga -	Charanga -	Charanga -
	ME	My stories	Everyone	Our world	Big bear	Reflect
					Funk	Rewind
						replay
Year 1	Charanga - hey You	Charanga - Banana Rap	Charanga - In the groove	Charanga -Round and round	Charanga – Your imagination	Charanga - Reflect Rewind replay
Year 2	Charanga - Hands, Feet, Heart	Charanga – Ho Ho Ho	Charanga - I wanna be in a band	Charanga- Zoo time	Recorder world - Charanga	Recorder world - Charanga
Year 3	Rock and	Rock and Pop	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and
	Pop Guitar	Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar
	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons
Year 4	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and	Rock and
	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar	Pop Guitar
	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons	lessons
Year 5	Charanga - Living on a Prayer		Charanga Fresh Prince of Bel Air		Charanga - Dancing in the Street	
Year 6	Charanga - Happy Autumn		Charanga- A new Year carol		Charanga - Music and me -	

Overview and Rationale for curriculum organisation ensures statutory content for skills and knowledge is covered.

# Describe what a good learner of this subject looks like when they leave Westfield Primary School?

A good learner of this subject will be able to recall music teaching with high accuracy. Skills developed in music instruments will have been committed to muscle memory. Styles and genres of music could be identified via listening to key parts of music. Styles of singing could be replicated and identified while performing and listening.

What are the 7 key components of a good learner in your subject?

- 1. Ability to focus in a multi-sensory way.
- 2. Fine tune hearing for identification.
- 3. Ability to recognise similar notes and replicate on a given instrument.
- 4. Must understand music structures and can relate them to numerous songs.
- 5. Ability to remember and recall songs and different elements from them.
- 6. Ability to keep and replicate a beat.
- 7. Enthusiasm for music