



Wormholt Park Primary School

MUSIC

"There is music in the air, music all around us; the world is full of it, and you simply take as much as you require." - Edward Elgar

At Wormholt Park Primary School, our intent is for every child to find music a valuable and enjoyable experience from Nursery to Year 6.

Pupils are exposed to a wide variety of musical genres, styles and traditions from a young age, as we are very lucky to have well-resourced lessons with a full-time teacher who works directly with pupils from Year 2 up, and supports EYFS and Year 1 with ideas and resources. Alongside this, singing and music is celebrated in multiple assemblies during the week and pupils love learning new songs they can share in the playground and with their families.

In every year group, we encourage all children to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all children. Music is planned in-line with the statements laid out in the National Curriculum, with Charanga being used to supplement and provide extra support and resources to enhance music teaching. These are explored through the language of music via active listening, appraising, performing and composing activities. Through our music lessons, children develop their singing voices, using body percussion and whole body actions, and learning to handle and play classroom instruments effectively to create and express their own and others' music. Younger children love to use our un-tuned percussion instruments to create beats and rhythms, whilst older pupils develop their musical skills and knowledge through a mix of singing, chanting and playing songs on glockenspiels. We are also very proud that every year 4 child is able to learn how to play the guitar through whole-class specialist tuition, provided by our local music hub.

After school, children in Key Stage 1 and 2 are able to join a choir club (who perform to the school, families and the local community) or learn how to play the guitar, drums or violins through specialist tutors. Many of our older pupils have taken part in large ensemble singing events (such as 'Convo' at the Royal Albert Hall) and have sung in front of the public for special occasions.