



Bishop Bridgeman C.E. Primary School

Part of Archbishop Temple Multi Academy Trust

We Work, We Play, We Care, We Pray

“Love God, Love Yourself, Love Your Neighbour” Luke 10:27

MUSIC CURRICULUM POLICY

“Without music, life would be a mistake”

-Friedrich Nietzsche

At Bishop Bridgeman, our music curriculum is delivered by specialist teachers as well as class teachers we give our children the very best. Through a broad, balanced, supportive and purposeful curriculum linked with National Curriculum objectives, we strive to ensure that all our pupils are able to succeed and find their unique talents and strengths. We aim for all pupils to experience and enjoy Music in discrete lessons and as part of a rich curriculum. Music skills are developed through a practical approach and applied in performing and composing. Children are encouraged to develop their listening skills and the ability to appraise a variety of musical styles and forms.

INTENT

At Bishop Bridgeman, we value music as a powerful and unique form of self-expression and communication. We are musicians! We aim to provide every child with high quality musical 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 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. The Early Years Framework is the foundation for the development of Music skills and provides the building blocks for all future learning. These foundations allow all pupils to be fully embedded in musical content allowing them to fully express themselves and live out our value of “Love God, Love Yourself, Love Your Neighbour Luke 10.27.

IMPLEMENTATION

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By engaging children in making and responding to music, music teaching at Bishop Bridgeman offers opportunities for them to:

- Develop their understanding and appreciation of a wide range of music.
- Acquire the knowledge, skills and understanding needed to compose, perform, listen and appraise.
- Develop enjoyment, imagination and creativity through music.
- Develop awareness, understanding and appreciation of the richness and diversity of music in world cultures, styles, times and historical periods.
- Develop opportunities for children to perform to the school and the wider community.
- Develop skills that can support learning in other areas. This includes listening skills, concentration, creativity and self-expression, intuition, perseverance, self-confidence and sensitivity towards others. It can also give children the opportunity to express feelings that cannot easily be put into words.
- Develop and extend their own interests.

IMPACT

Music makes its own distinctive contribution to the school curriculum and the wider aims of primary education. Through teaching music at Bishop Bridgeman we encourage and assist pupils to grow as individuals whilst building their thinking and listening skills, creativity and team work approaches. Music brings together intellect and feeling and enables personal expression, reflection and emotional development, which are invaluable skills we arm our pupils with for their futures.

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