

Music

A wide range of musical experiences and activities are offered. The children have the opportunity to play a variety of musical instruments, listen to music of all kinds, take part in singing and create music using instruments and apps on both iPads and computers. Children are also encouraged to become aware of our diverse musical heritage and musical traditions. Music, movement and drama are frequently linked to form enjoyable assemblies, performances and concerts where all children are given the opportunity to sing in an ensemble.

During class lessons using Charanga, pupils are given the opportunity to undertake listening, singing, performing, improvising and composing activities. Children become familiar with musical notation and the inter-related dimensions of music. In our lessons, children have experience of instruments such as African drums and chime bars. They are also able to gain experiences through visits to venues outside School and from specialist practitioners visiting the School. Each year we take part in the Epping Forest Primary Schools' Music Festival and Young Voices at the O2.

From Year 3, pupils are encouraged to join the School choir. Our School choir performs to a high standard and each year is invited to perform at venues and events outside of School such as St. Mary's Church.

Instrumental Tuition

We have visiting teachers who provide instrumental tuition during school hours. Lessons are currently available in violin, guitar, clarinet, flute, recorder, brass and piano. Tuition is individual or in small groups and there is an appropriate charge each term. Unfortunately, the School is not able to provide orchestral instruments, although it is possible to hire them through Essex County Council.

