



Shustoke C of E Primary School Curriculum Overview: Music



Rationale

Music is at the heart of Shustoke C of E Primary School. Our Music curriculum inspires our children to engage with, and develop a life-long love of, music. Children develop their skills as musicians, including skills in singing, listening and appreciating, improvising and composing and playing musical instruments through purposeful activity-based learning. Children perform to a range of audiences within our community, including parents and residents in the village. In addition, children develop their knowledge of a variety of well-known composers and musicians from different periods and genres. Our Music curriculum enables our children to appreciate a diverse range of world music genres and consider how Music has a significant place in our lives.

The aims of the Music curriculum at Shustoke are:

- To engage in and develop a love of music
- To develop children's music skills, including singing, playing, composing and performing
- To develop knowledge of the inter-related dimensions of music including pitch, dynamics, tempo and structure
- To build knowledge of a range of well-known composers and musicians from different periods and genres.

Curriculum Organisation

In Early Years, the foundations of Music are taught holistically, with knowledge and skills woven into topics that have been developed systematically to ensure progression. Our children sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs, perform and move in time to a variety of music. Children explore making sounds and music using a wide range of untuned percussion instruments.

Across Key Stages 1 and 2, music is taught through bespoke units of work that build children's knowledge and skills progressively across year groups. Children learn to sing, play, improvise and compose, listen and appreciate and perform in engaging, activity-led units that build purposefully to a performance. Audiences for performances include peers, other classes, parents and village residents. Engaging units of work include *Action Songs* and *Last Night at the Proms* in Key Stage 1, *Bhangra Beats* and *Take One Picture* in Lower Key Stage 2, and *Music from the Movies* and *Reggae Influences* in Upper Key Stage 2. Instrument tuition takes place in Year 3/Year 4 where children learn to play the ukulele. Music knowledge threads (substantive knowledge) and skills (disciplinary knowledge) are developed progressively across the school.

In Key Stage 1, Music is taught for the weekly equivalent of 30 minutes and in Key Stage 2, Music is taught for the weekly equivalent of 40 minutes.



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Whole School Long-Term Plan – Music

	Singing	Playing Instruments	Improvising & Composing	Listening & Appreciating	Performing	Multi-Disciplinary Study
Year 1	Harvest 3 x 30 mins Nativity 3 x 30 mins Action Songs 6 x 30 mins	Percussion #1 6 x 30 mins Percussion #2 6 x 30 mins	Weather Sound Effects 6 x 30 mins	The Sounds of Folk 4 x 30 mins	Harvest 1 x 30 mins Nativity 1 x 30 mins	
Year 2	Harvest 3 x 30 mins Nativity 5 x 30 mins Songs from Africa 4 x 30 mins	Ocarina #1 6 x 30 mins Ocarina #2 6 x 30 mins	Story Soundtrack 6 x 30 mins	Last Night at the Proms 4 x 30 mins	Harvest 1 x 30 mins Nativity 1 x 30 mins	
Year 3	Harvest 3 x 40 mins Nativity 5 x 40 mins	Ukulele #1 19 x 40 mins	Shustoke Soundscape 4 x 40 mins	Bhangra Beats 4 x 40 mins	Harvest 1 x 40 mins Nativity 1 x 40 mins	
Year 4	Harvest 3 x 40 mins Carol Service 2 x 40 mins Easter 2 x 40 mins	Ukulele #2 19 x 40 mins	Take One Picture 4 x 40 mins	Baroque Stars 4 x 40 mins	Harvest 1 x 40 mins Carol Service 1 x 40 mins Easter 1 x 40 mins	



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Year 5	Harvest 3 x 40 mins	Keyboard #1 6 x 40 mins	Carnival! 6 x 40 mins	Country Roots 4 x 40 mins	Harvest 1 x 40 mins	Music from the Movies 6 x 40 mins
	Carol Service 2 x 40 mins				Carol Service 1 x 40 mins	
	Musical 3 x 40 mins				Musical 1 x 40 mins	
Year 6	Harvest 3 x 40 mins	Keyboard #2 4 x 40 mins	Rhythm & Rap 6 x 40 mins	Reggae Influences 6 x 40 mins	Harvest 1 x 40 mins	Festival Vibes – Party in the Park 6 x 40 mins
	Remembrance 2 x 40 mins				Remembrance 1 x 40 mins	
	Carol Service 2 x 40 mins				Carol Service 1 x 40 mins	
	Musical 4 x 40 mins				Musical 1 x 40 mins	