

Music permeates our lives and is a tool which promotes and supports positive mental health and well-being, collaboration, resilience, personal expression and pleasure. Whether working in the music industry or using music for pleasure, it is of high value to us all as human beings. The value of music is recognised in the teaching, learning and use of music throughout Woodlands Infant School. Lessons not only teach the knowledge and skills for pupils to become musicians, but also promote collaboration, resilience, respect and high aspirations.

Woodlands Infant School aspires to provide excellent opportunities for Music so that children can:

- Develop their own interests in musical genres and styles
- Develop an understanding and acceptance of all forms of music, respecting that music can be a personal expression that is unique to individuals
- Develop an understanding of how music is composed, produced and performed using the interrelated dimensions
- Learn and use a variety of musical vocabulary.
- Grow in confidence to make, explore, perform and enjoy their own musical experiences..
- Make excellent progress

In order for the above principles to be achieved, we will:

- Provide opportunities to listen to, review, appraise and perform music from a range of genres and time periods
- Provide real-life and hands on experiences of music, musical instruments and performance.
- Provide opportunities for children to use their voices and instruments during music lessons.
- Provide teachers with opportunities to further develop their subject knowledge
- Provide well maintained, organised and up to date resources, including IT which will support learning.
- Provide opportunities for pupils to express their own ideas and opinions of what they listen to using musical terminology.