



Key Stage 1 National Curriculum Expectations	Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Expectations
 Pupils should be taught to: use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes; play tuned instruments musically; listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music; experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music. 	 Pupils should be taught to: play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression; improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music; listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory; use and understand staff and other musical notations; appreciate and understand a wide-range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians; develop an understanding of the history of music.

Intent

At Gayton, it is our intent that we make music an enjoyable learning experience where children can develop their skills, vocabulary and knowledge. We encourage children to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all children. We believe that all children should have the opportunity to learn to play an instrument and our teaching focuses on developing the children's ability to understand rhythm and follow a beat. Children are given opportunities to consider how music can represent different feelings, emotions and narratives. Through singing songs, children learn about the structure and organisation of music. We teach them to listen to and appreciate different forms of music developing descriptive language skills and an understanding of technical vocabulary.

Implementation

The music curriculum ensures children sing, listen, play, perform and evaluate. This is embedded in:

- Classroom activities
- Singing assemblies
- Opportunities to perform in concerts and for smaller audiences

The elements of music are taught in the classroom lessons so that children are able to use some of the language of music to dissect it, and understand how it is made, played, appreciated and analysed. In the classroom students learn how to play an instrument, from all four main instrument groups of wind, strings, percussion and keyboards. In doing so understand the different principle of each method of creating notes, as well as how to read basic music notation. They also learn how to compose, focusing on different dimensions of music, which in turn feeds their understanding when listening, playing, or analysing music. Composing or performing using body percussion and vocal sounds is also part of the curriculum, which develops the understanding of musical elements without the added complexity of an instrument. The curriculum also incorporates the use of technologies such as 'Soundation', enabling the children to compose their own pieces. The school receives high-quality sessions from the Derbyshire Music Education Hub, who provide ukulele lessons in Year 4.

Impact

Whilst in school, children have access to a varied programme, which allows students to discover areas of strength, as well as areas they might like to improve upon. The curriculum allows time for children to discover and discuss preferences, debate, develop confidence and develop speaking and listening skills. Children are able to enjoy music as listener, creator and performer. Through the curriculum and wider opportunities, such as Music of the Month and opportunities to attend professional performances, children will also develop an understanding of culture and history, both in relation to our school community and as ethnicities from across the world.

Skills	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6
Performing	KS2 Music National Curriculum	KS2 Music National Curriculum
	Pupils should be taught to play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.	Pupils should be taught to play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.
	Children can:	Children can:
	a. sing with good diction;	a. sing with good diction;
	b. sing in tune songs with a limited range;	b. sing in tune;
	c. sing a song with two or more parts;	c. sing a song with two or more parts, showing confidence at being able to maintain tempo and pitch;
	d. perform with expression; e. use correct technique to play instruments.	d. perform with accuracy and expression, showing an understanding of the context of the music;
		e. use correct technique to play instruments with improved confidence and accuracy.
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	Pupils should be taught to improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music.	Pupils should be taught to improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music.
	Children can:	Children can:
Composing	a. compose a tune using eight notes; b. compose music that has a recognisable structure (beginning, middle and end).	a. create more complex tunes, thinking about their
		audience; b. add lyrics to a composition;
		c. compose music that has a recognisable structure (beginning, middle and end) that shows variation in timbre and dynamics.

Skills	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6
	KS2 Music National Curriculum	KS2 Music National Curriculum
	Pupils should be taught to listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.	Pupils should be taught to listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.
	Children can:	Children can:
	a. find the beat in a piece of music;	a. find the beat in a piece of music;
	b. explain the tempo, dynamics and duration of a piece of music;	b. explain the tempo, dynamics, metre, timbre and duration of a piece of music;
	c. begin to recognise some orchestral instruments in a piece of music.	c. recognise orchestral instruments and describe their effect in a piece of music.
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Listening	Pupils should be taught to appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.	Pupils should be taught to appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.
	Children can:	Children can:
	a. recognise a range of music genres;	a. recognise a range of music genres (including from around
	b. recognise instruments being played in a piece of music;	the world) and describe their characteristics;
	c. express their opinion about pieces of music using appropriate musical vocabulary;	b. name a variety of composers and artists associated with different genres of music;
	d. discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music.	c. recognise instruments being played in a piece of music;
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		e. discuss similarities and differences in pieces of music and explain how composers and performers achieve this.

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	Pupils should be taught to use and understand staff and other musical notations.	Pupils should be taught to use and understand staff and other musical notations.
	Children can:	Children can:
Notation	a. recognise crotchets, quavers, semibreves and crotchet rests;	a. recognise crotchets, quavers, semibreves, crotchet and quaver rests;
	b. begin to be able to recognise some notes on a treble clef	b. recognise notes on a treble clef staff;
	staff.	c. understand that notes are positioned differently on a bass clef;
		d. read, and play from, music notation;
		e. record their own compositions using music notation.
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Knowledge of Music	Pupils should be taught to develop an understanding of the history of music.	Pupils should be taught to develop an understanding of the history of music.
	Children can:	Children can:
	a. name some composers and genres of music from different eras.	a. name some composers and genres of music from different eras;
		b. name different musical periods.