



Music Policy

Article 29 - Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

Article 31 - Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Music at Poplar Farm

Music is defined by the National Curriculum (2014) as follows:

'Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A high-quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they should develop a critical engagement with music, allowing them to compose, and to listen with discrimination to the best in the musical canon'

At Poplar Farm School we aim to make music an enjoyable learning experience. We encourage children to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all children. Our teaching initially focuses on developing the children's ability to sing in tune and in time with other people. We also teach them to listen to and appreciate and appraise different forms of music. Children are able to develop their thoughts and feelings surrounding music through planned questioning and exposure to a range of musical genres and instruments. Children are offered the opportunity to learn an instrument taught by specialist music teachers.

Intent

Our main priority at Poplar Farm School is to teach and perfect the skills implemented by the National Curriculum. Our music scheme of work is Charanga as this complements the curriculum and scaffolds learning opportunities. Charanga structures the teaching of music in a way that supports the progression of skills required as part of the National Curriculum.

Key stage 1 pupils should be taught to:

- Use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.

- Play tuned and untuned 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.

Key stage 2 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.

Implementation

We recognise that there are children of widely different musical abilities in all classes, so we provide suitable learning opportunities for all children by matching the challenge of the task to the ability of the child. We achieve this in a variety of ways by:

- Setting common tasks which are open-ended and can have a variety of responses.
- Setting tasks of increasing difficulty (not all children complete all tasks).
- Grouping children by ability in the room and setting different tasks to each ability group.
- Providing resources of different complexity depending on the ability of the child.

In the Early Years, music is incorporated consistently into daily routines and is used to enhance teaching of the core curriculum, in addition to being taught as a stand-alone subject.

SEND & Gifted/Talented

Music is taught at Poplar Farm in a way which encourages participation and enjoyment for all children, regardless of ability. As a school, we ensure that all children with additional needs or disabilities have differentiated work in relation to outcome or task across the curriculum. All children have access to a musical education through the use of reasonable adjustments relating to individual need.

Gifted and Talented children in music will be supported and given additional opportunities, where appropriate. Poplar Farm also have an established 'Glee Club' who regularly perform together. This provides an additional opportunity for children with a particular talent or love

of music to express themselves musically as part of a group. As the school grows, we aim to provide opportunity to lead and manage musical activities in the school context and out of school musical events.

All children have lots of different opportunities to sing and play at school assemblies, class assemblies and perform at special events. All year groups also take part in performances throughout the year, for example, at Christmas.

Role of the Music co-ordinator

They will be responsible for monitoring the standards of the children's work and the quality of the teaching in Music. They are also responsible for supporting colleagues in the teaching of Music; using Charanga as a supporting scheme. They are responsible for keeping staff informed about current developments in the subject, and for providing a strategic lead and direction for the subject in the school.

This policy was adopted:	February 2021
Review Cycle:	Every two years
This policy was subsequently reviewed:	

Musical Progression – KS1

Units of Work			Differentiated Instrumental Progression							Progression for Improvisation			Progression for Composition		
Year	Term	Unit Title	Key	Easy note range (concert)	Medium note range (concert)	Melody note range (concert)	Easy note values	Medium note values	Melody note values	Easy	Medium	More difficult	Easy	Medium	More difficult
1	Autumn 1	Hey You!	C	C	C,G	C,G	Crotchets	Crotchets	Semi-quavers, Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
1	Autumn 2	Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap	C	Singing and performing only						Singing and performing only			Singing and performing only		
1	Spring 1	In The Groove	C	C,D	C,D	C,G,A,C	Crotchets	Crotchets	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
1	Spring 2	Round And Round	D Minor	C,D,F	D,E,F,G,A	D,E,F,G,A,B	Semibreves	Crotchets and Minims	Crotchets, Minims and Quavers	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A	Not applicable		
1	Summer 1	Your Imagination	C	G	C E G	E G A	Semibreves	Crotchets, Minims and Semibreves	Crotchets, Quavers, Minims and Semibreves	C,D using instruments and/or clap and sing			C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,G,A
1	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision							Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision		
2	Autumn 1	Hands, Feet, Heart	C	G,A,C	G,A,B,C	F,G,A,B,C	Crotchets	Minims	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
2	Autumn 2	Ho Ho Ho	G	C,E,G	B,A,G	N/a	Crotchets and rests	Crotchets and rests	Not applicable	Not applicable			Not applicable		
2	Spring 1	I Wanna Play In A Band	F	C,D	C,F,G	C,D,F	Minims	Minims	Quavers and Crotchets	F,G	F,G,A	F,G,A,C,D	F,G	F,G,A	F,G,A,C,D
2	Spring 2	Zootime	C	C,D	C,D	C,D	Crotchets	Crotchets	Quavers and Crotchets	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G
2	Summer 1	Friendship Song	C	G,E	E,G,A,B	C,D,E,F,G,A,B	Crotchet, Dotted Minim and Rests	Crotchets and Rests	Crotchets, Quavers, Minims	C	C,D	C,D	C,D	C,D,E	C,D,E,G,A
2	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision							Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision		

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Musical Progression – KS2

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Musical Progression – KS2

Units of Work			Differentiated Instrumental Progression							Progression for Improvisation			Progression for Composition		
Year	Term	Unit Title	Key	Easy note range (concert)	Medium note range (concert)	Melody note range (concert)	Easy note values	Medium note values	Melody note values	Easy	Medium	More difficult	Easy	Medium	More difficult
5	Autumn 1	Livin' On A Prayer	G	G,A,B	D,E,F#,G	D,E,F#,G,A,B,C	Minims	Crotchets and Minims	Quavers, Crotchets, Dotted Crotchets and Quavers	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,D,E	D,E or G,A	G,A,B or D,E, F#	G,A,B or D,E, F#,G,A
5	Autumn 2	Classroom Jazz 1	G	G,A,B	D,E,G,A,B	D,E,F,G,A,B	Crotchets and rests	Crotchets and rests	Crotchets and rests	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B	Not applicable		
5	Spring 1	Make You Feel My Love	C	C,D	G,A,BC	B,C,D,E,F,G	Minims	Crotchets, Minims and Semibreves	Quavers and Crotchets	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,C,D	G,A	G,A,B	G,A,B,C,D
5	Spring 2	The Fresh Prince Of Bel-Air	A Minor	D,A	A,G	C,D,E,F,G,A	Minims	Quavers, Crotchets	Quavers, Minims and Semibreves	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A
5	Summer 1	Dancing In The Street	F Major	F	F, G	D,F,G,A	Semibreves	Quavers, Crotchets and rests	Quavers, Crotchets and rests	F	F,G	F,G,A	F,G	F,G,A	F,G,A,C,D
5	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision							Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision		
6	Autumn 1	Happy	C Major	G,A	B,A,G	E,D,C,B,A,G,E	Minims and rests	Semibreves, Minims and rests	Quavers, Dotted Crotchets, Minims, Semibreves and rests	A	A,G	A,G,B	A,G	A,G,B	C,E,G,A,B
6	Autumn 2	Classroom Jazz 2	C Major	C,D,E,F,G,A,B,C	C,D,E,F,G,A,B,C	C,D,E,F,G,A,B,C	Crotchets and Quavers	Crotchets and Quavers	Crotchets and Quavers	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G	C,D,E,F,G,A,B,C	Not applicable		
			C Blues	C,Bb,G	C,Bb,G,F	C,Bb,G,F,C	Not applicable			C,Bb,G	C,Bb,G,F	C,Bb,G,F,C	Not applicable		
6	Spring 1	Benjamin Britten - New Year Carol	G	G,F	F,A,F	N/A	Minims and rests	Crotchets and Minims	Quavers, Minims and Semibreves	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A	D,E	D,E,F	D,E,F,G,A
6	Spring 2	Music And Identity	Coming soon...												
6	Summer 1	You've Got A Friend	C	G,A,B	C,D,E	C,D,E,F,G,A,B	Minims and rests	Crotchets, Quavers, Minims, dotted notes and rests	Quavers, Dotted Crotchets, Minims, Dotted Minims	E	E,G	E,G,A	A,G	A,G,E	E,G,A,C,D
6	Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind And Replay	Consolidation and Revision							Consolidation and Revision			Consolidation and Revision		