

## Music Report for Governors – Eve Martin

### Spring Term 2025

#### The Music Curriculum

After Christmas this year, the whole school has begun to plan Music lessons using of new SingUp curriculum instead of using the BBC Ten Pieces. Monitoring in the Autumn Term, combined with Staff and Pupil voice showed that staff were not all confident in delivering Music sessions and the children did not always enjoy the pieces of Music they were using in lessons. Staff said they felt Music was difficult to plan as they were not specialist and using the current provision, it was not easy to see progression across the year groups. The Sing-Up curriculum allows staff to follow pre-planned units of work, editing them as appropriate for their classes and comes with a full set of online resources. In line with the expectations of the National Curriculum, the children have the opportunity to sing, as well as compose and perform pieces using a range of instruments. Since implementing the new scheme, staff have spoken more positively about planning and delivering Music.



#### The Nottinghamshire Inspire Music Hub

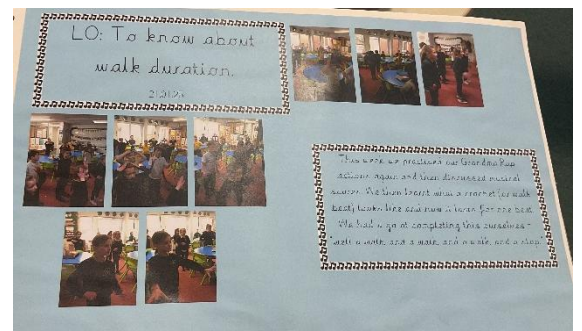
As a school, we have continued to work with the Music Hub this year in order to add enrichment opportunities to our curriculum.



The delivery of lessons by specialist teachers is really valued and enjoyed by the children. In the Autumn Term, Year 4 learnt African Drumming and in the Summer Term, Year 3 will be learning to play the Ukelele. These lessons have been re-booked for next academic year (2025-6).

#### Monitoring

Staff voice conducted in the Autumn Term showed that staff would like further support in order to plan and deliver the Music Curriculum, therefore the Sing Up Music Curriculum was purchased to be used as a basis for the school's new curriculum. Monitoring of the implementation has taken place in the Spring Term, showing that staff are delivering the new curriculum units to all classes. Music is evidenced using a variety of platforms including floor books and by staff uploading evidence to a secure, online platform. Next steps involve talking to the children about their learning and discussing the new scheme with them.



## Events

Music plays a key role in school life, from the Harvest festival performances in Autumn term, to the KS1 nativity performances (both in school and at St. Luke's Church) to the KS2 Carols by Candlelight out on the playground before Christmas. The children enjoy singing a variety of songs daily during collective worship and perform these with enthusiasm.



In January, a group of KS2 children participated in the Young Voices concert at Sheffield Arena. After preparing throughout the Autumn Term, the children were able to showcase the wide variety of songs they had learnt and experience the live band and atmosphere of a large arena.



In February, all the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the production of 'Pirates of the Currybean' performed at The Acorn Theatre in Worksop.

This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to showcase their singing ability with all children participating in the songs and some having the opportunity to perform solos. It also allows the children the experience of performing in front of a live audience and was a fantastic experience that everyone enjoyed.

