KEW WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Music Policy

OVERVIEW

The music curriculum at Kew Woods Primary School will engage and inspire children to develop a love of music and their talents as musicians. Music lessons will aim to improve self confidence and creativity, as well as develop a sense of achievement. Through our broad, progressive curriculum children will develop listening and compositional skills.

OBJECTIVES

1. To help all children develop skills to listen to music, perform and evaluate music.
2. To give children the opportunity to experience different genres, styles and traditions from across a range of periods
3. To develop children's knowledge of the works of great composers and musicians.
4. To develop children's skills in singing, to have the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument and to use technology in their development
5. To understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated through the interrelated dimensions (pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and musical notations).

STRATEGIES

1. We will begin the teaching of history in Foundation Stage as the children begin developing their knowledge, skills and understanding
2. As the children move into Key Stage 1 they will build on their earlier work and use their voices creatively and expressively (singing songs, chants and rhymes). They will play tuned and untuned instruments and develop their skills listening to both live and recorded music. They will experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the interrelated dimensions of music.
3. In Key Stage 2, the children will be encouraged to sing and play with increased confidence and control. They will develop an understanding of musical composition and perform solos and in ensemble contexts. Children will develop skills to listen with attention to detail and develop aural memory. They will be taught to use and understand staff and other musical notations. They will build on their KS1 experiences experiencing a wider range of live and recorded music and also develop an understanding of the history of music. (See Appendix 1)
4. Music will be taught within topics, through a creative curriculum approach, making links with other subjects of the National Curriculum.
5. We will use financial resources to build up a collection of music, apps and instruments to support the teaching of music.
6. Specialist teachers will be used to extend the opportunities and experiences for children.
7. We will provide opportunities for pupils to access a broad music curriculum outside of the school day (choir, music lessons, musical theatre, visits to musicals, participating in Young Voices Concerts, attending performances at the Liverpool Philharmonic etc).
8. Parents will be invited to provide an audience for musical performances each year (Christmas Carol Concert, class assemblies, Night at the … , Kew Proms, Year 6 production etc).
9. Disadvantaged pupil groups will be actively encouraged and supported financially at perusing musical interests at school and in the community.

OUTCOMES

Pupils at Kew Woods will be given every opportunity to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding of music. They will develop a life long interest and love of music. Every child will have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument.

Appendix 1

Kew Woods Primary School Curriculum Map – Music

Year Group	Coverage
Nursery / Reception	Exploring music Singing a variety of songs Using a range of musical instruments Match movements to music
Year 1	Voices – singing songs, chants, rhymes Listen to live and recorded music Make and combine sound / play tuned and untuned instruments
Year 2	Sound Sources Looking for Patterns - listening to music Singing songs, chants and rhymes Listen to / create sounds using tuned / untuned instruments
Year 3	Rock Music Listen, compose, perform Composing Monster Sounds Basics of musical notation
Year 4	Listen to and respond to live / recorded music Music from different traditions Understanding of history of music Notation Composition
Year 5	Play and perform using voice and instruments Improvise and compose music Musical notation History of Music Listening to live and recorded music / recall sounds
Year 6	Performance – singing and raps