



*Achieving Success Together*

# Curriculum Overview: Music



## **School Vision:**

**Our Teachers... are creative, engaging and adventurous, offering an excellent curriculum that challenges and inspires to ensure every child is ACHIEVING.**

Our Music curriculum enables teachers to deliver creative, engaging lessons which challenge children to explore their musical skills. Through the use of Charanga and Musical Futures, children are exposed to a range of musical styles to broaden their knowledge and experience. Children in Years 3-6 have lessons from a music specialist for at least one term of each year, to ensure children benefit from the expertise available, and we make use of the Norfolk Music Hub to give children additional opportunities. By the time they leave Browick, all children will have had the chance to learn to play multiple instruments and to celebrate their achievements.

**Our Children... learn resilience and are happy, confident and independent learners who thrive on celebrating their SUCCESS.**

A key element of our Music curriculum is performance. We provide our children with many opportunities to perform across the school year – through assemblies, concerts, festivals, fairs, online or in class. The art of performing allows children to build their confidence, to work hard to reach a goal, and to celebrate their success. We relish the opportunity to see our children performing whether as individuals or groups; in school or in the community.

**Our School...is a safe and nurturing environment, where everyone works TOGETHER to role model our core values of respect, trust and honesty.**

We appreciate that Music is a very personal subject and children need to feel safe and secure in their class environment in order to take risks, perform and achieve. Working as part of a musical ensemble is a vital skill and encourages children to listen to, respect and work well with each other. Children enjoy opportunities to listen to and comment on others' performances, and are encouraged to perform to others, safe in the knowledge that they will be listened to and celebrated with respect and kindness.

## **Intent:**

Browick Road Primary and Nursery School delivers a broad and balanced music curriculum, in line with national requirements, which enables pupils to:

- Perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians.
- Learn to sing and use their voices.
- Create and compose music on their own and alongside their peers.
- Have the opportunities to learn a musical instrument, use technology properly and to progress to the next level of musical excellence.
- Understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

**Implementation:**

Yearly Overview for Music						
Year group	Autumn topics		Spring topics		Summer topics	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	Charanga: Me!	Charanga: My Stories	Charanga: Everyone!	Charanga: Our World	Big Bear Funk	Reflect, Rewind and Replay
Year 1	My Musical Heartbeat	Dance, Sing and Play!	Exploring Sounds	Learning to Listen	Having Fun with Improvisation	Let's Perform Together!
Year 2	Pulse, Rhythm and Pitch	Playing in an Orchestra	Inventing a Musical story	Recognising Different sounds	Exploring Improvisation	Our Big Concert
Year 3	Writing Music down	Playing in a Band	Compose Using Your Imagination	More Musical Styles	<b>Whole Class Instrumental Teaching - Recorders</b>	
Year 4	Musical Structures	Exploring Feelings When You Play	<b>Whole Class Instrumental Teaching - Flute – Norfolk Music Hub</b>		Composing and Chords	The Show Must Go On!
Year 5	Melody and Harmony in Music	Sing and Play in Different Styles	<b>Musical Futures: Whole Class Instrumental Teaching – Keyboards, Guitars &amp; Drums</b>		Composition	Performance
Year 6	Music and Technology	Developing Ensemble Skills	<b>Musical Futures: Whole Class Instrumental Teaching – Keyboards, Guitars &amp; Drums</b>		Composition	Performance

## **Enrichment:**

Music plays an important role in our school and we offer a range of clubs and instrumental lessons which run alongside the curriculum.

### Clubs and Lessons

Children in Key Stage 1 are able to attend Ukulele Club and have peripatetic recorder lessons.

Children in Key Stage 2 are able to join the Key Stage 2 Choir and/or Ukulele Club, as well as having peripatetic lessons. We currently offer lessons in: piano, guitar, singing, violin, woodwind and brass instruments.

### Performances

The Key Stage 2 Choir performs at a variety of events throughout the year including School Fairs, the Norfolk County Music Festival and the Key Stage 2 Concert. They also take part in local events and visit residential homes.

At Christmas, children in all year groups take part in school plays and learn Christmas songs to perform at the end of the year. We also have a Christmas music concert, which this year was held at Wymondham Abbey for the first time.

Each summer, we host a Key Stage 2 Concert, celebrating our musicians and the progress they have made over the year. Children are invited to perform on their own, as part of a group or as part of their class.

## **Impact:**

Our Music curriculum enables children to become confident performers, composers and listeners.

Children are taught to appreciate a wide range of musical styles and they are provided with the skills to express themselves through music.

Engaging and varied lessons ensure that our children are enthusiastic about learning music.

Children have the opportunity to be inspired by a wide range of exciting musical experiences.

All of our children leave Browick having had the chance to learn multiple instruments; to perform in front of others and to enjoy being part of an ensemble.

