



Leigh C of E Academy

Music Curriculum Statement



The Music curriculum at Leigh Church of England Academy will inspire children to develop a love of music and increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement as musicians. We encourage children to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all.

Our curriculum is sequenced coherently so children will have the confidence and motivation to continue to further develop their skills into the next stage of their education and life experiences. Children have 45-minute weekly lessons in Music throughout Key Stage 1 and 2. Teachers follow the Charanga programme of study: Listen and Appraise, Musical Activities, Perform/Share.

The Charanga scheme builds on the key interrelated dimensions of music which is explored upon week by week throughout the units of each year group. At the beginning of each new academic year, there is a brief recap and skills are progressively brought in where appropriate. Throughout the scheme, children are actively involved in using and developing their singing voices, using body percussion and whole-body actions, and learning to handle and play classroom instruments effectively to create and express their own and others' music. Through a range of whole class, group and individual activities, children have opportunities to explore sounds, listen actively, compose and perform.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn 1	Hey You!	Hands, Feet, Heart	Let Your Spirit Fly	Mamma Mia	Linin' On A Prayer	Happy
Autumn 2	Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap	Ho, Ho, Ho	Glockenspiel Stage 1	Glockenspiel Stage 2	Classroom Jazz 2	Classroom Jazz 2
Spring 1	In The Groove	I Wanna Play In A Band	Three Little Birds	Stop!	Make You Feel My Love	A New Year Carol
Spring 2	Round and Round	Zootime	The Dragon Song	Lean on Me	The Fresh Prince Of Bel-Air	You've Got A Friend
Summer 1	Your Imagination	Friendship Song	Bringing Us Together	Blackbird	Dancing In The Street	Music And Me
Summer 2	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Reflect, Rewind and Replay	Reflect, Rewind and Replay

In Early years, Music is taught through Charanga and in continuous provision. The children are encouraged to express their opinions about music, compose and perform, sing a range of rhymes and songs and try to move in time with music. Music comes under the branch of 'Expressive Arts and Design' in the EYFS curriculum.

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Music is embedded across the curriculum including the use of Charanga Freestyle which has a plethora of songs across many different topics. Music and songs are used widely in other areas of the curriculum, for example in performance poetry in English. Staff often use background music in the classroom, whilst the children work or whilst eating lunch, to promote a calm atmosphere.

The teaching of music is enriched in the following ways:

- Whole school and phase worship
- Services such as Harvest, Christingle and Easter
- Theme days incorporate national songs, or styles of songs.
- EYFS, KS1 and KS2 Nativities
- Young voices in Year 6
- Year 6 end of year production

At Leigh Church of England Academy, in conjunction with the aims of the National Curriculum, our Music teaching offers opportunities for children to:

- Enjoy music, in as many ways as they choose- either as listener, creator or performer.
- Have access to a varied programme, which allows students to discover areas of strength, as well as areas they might like to improve upon.
- Develop an understanding of culture and history, both in relation to students individually, as well as ethnicities from across the world.
- Have the opportunity to discuss and share their own thoughts, opinions and ideas, acknowledging and respecting that these may vary and that this is positive.

We are an inclusive school which ensures children and staff never stop learning; we set high expectations and aim to support individuals during every step of their journey to become musicians.

