

MUSIC

AIMS

- ◆ To develop a sensitive response to music
- ◆ To acquire the necessary skills to perform and compose music of a variety of styles
- ◆ To develop social skills through making music together
- ◆ To encourage an awareness of musical tradition in a variety of cultures

ASSESSMENT

Pupils are assessed regularly with ongoing tests in performing, composing and appraising being carried out in class every half term.

A statement of the pupils' musical achievement is written at the end of Key Stage 3.

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

PERFORMING

- ◆ Individual and paired performances on keyboards
- ◆ Class performances on classroom and orchestral instruments
- ◆ Singing as an individual, group or class activity

COMPOSING

- ◆ Individual, paired and group compositions to a given stimulus, using instruments and/or voices
- ◆ Arrangements of selected works

APPRAISING

- ◆ Listening to and discussing music from a wide repertoire
- ◆ Discussing and evaluating pupils' own performances and compositions



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EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Music department has varied activities which all pupils are welcome to participate in.

- ◆ Choir with participation in the school carol service and concerts
- ◆ Instrumental ensembles including the school orchestra
- ◆ Annual School Musical
- ◆ Performing Arts Club

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

Pupils have the opportunity to take up a musical instrument at the start of Year 7. A short test is given to allow selection to take place if the demand exceeds the number of instruments available.

