Music Leader

Mr Howard is the Music coordinator at Holly. He is responsible for developing the Music curriculum and delivering training on Music planning and teaching across the school.



Curriculum Intent

Enjoy music

- Experience music across time, genre, tradition and culture
- Express themselves creatively and develop their musical voice
- Entertain audiences through solo, small group and larger ensemble performance
- Evaluate their own performance and the performance and music of others

During each music session, children are encouraged to participate with 'music bingo' in which they can define musical terms, share their thoughts and opinions of music with others and comment their own performances.

Knowledge & Confidence

At Holly Primary School, our intention is that children enjoy the subject and learn about the main historical periods, styles, traditions and musical genres. We develop curiosity for the subject, and an unbiased respect for the role that music can play in expressing aspects of everyday life. Enjoyment and curiosity develop through listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing, composing and performing in the company of others.

We are committed to ensuring children understand the value and importance of music in the wider community, and are able to use their musical skills, knowledge, and experiences to involve themselves in music in a variety of different contexts. There are opportunities to learn different instruments, and we have a fabulous choir who perform in various venues.

Music Skills

Throughout school, children are focused on learning the following skills:

- Music theory & notation
- Singing
- Listening & Appraising
- Instrumentation
- Music history & context

Curriculum Design

We teach children a skills-based curriculum that is ambitious and designed to build in knowledge content as children progress through school. Our varied music curriculum is supported by a professional musician who works with the teachers and children across all areas of school.

Wider School Curriculum

Children can extend their musical experience by learning a range of instruments, joining our choir and performing in shows twice yearly. The children experience and play across a wide range of genres and are exposed to familiar and unfamiliar music to broaden their horizons.