



MUSIC CONSTRUCT

“Where words fail, music speaks”- Hans Christian Anderson

Aims and Objectives

Music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A high quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement.

The children should have the opportunity to perform, listen to, compose, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians.

What Music looks like at Dowson?

Composing and Performing

Every year group from Years 1-6 will each be taught by a specialist provider (Tameside Music Service) for 1 whole term within the school year. Within this term, they will teach composing and appraising elements of the curriculum via un-tuned and tuned instruments.

Vehicle for teaching music curriculum:

EYFS- Singing and percussion

Year 1- Percussion and Glockenspiels

Year 2- Percussion and Glockenspiels

Year 3- Recorders and Garage band project

Year 4- Recorders, Ukulele and Garage band project

Year 5- Ukulele and Samba

Year 6- Samba, Garage band and Ukulele.

Listening and Appraising

Throughout the school year, each year group will have the opportunity to listen to a broad range of music genres that link to wider curriculum topics thus enhancing their experiences. They will have the opportunity to discuss how different music makes them feel, their opinions on what they hear and learn how to discuss the pieces, linking their ideas to the interrelated dimensions of music.

Vision for Pupils

At Dowson, we want children to have the opportunity to sing together, play together and above all explore what music can do for the good of mental health and wellbeing.

Pupils will have the opportunities to play instruments taught by a music specialist. In addition to this, they will explore the interrelated dimensions of music within their own compositions and appraise these in the performances of others.

Children will be able to discuss the works of famous composers and compare these to music from different cultures and historic periods.

Pupils will have the opportunity to explore instruments from around the world and those used in a full orchestra.

Overall, the children at Dowson have the opportunity to confidently express themselves through music and find music genres that appeal to them and support positive mental well-being.