

Music at Shelley First School

Standards in music are high with the vast majority of pupils working at expected levels. The Long Term Plan for music can be found in the Curriculum sectioned the website.

As an ARTSMARK GOLD school, music is integral to the provision at Shelley. All pupils develop skills in listening and appraising, singing, playing, performing and responding to music. 'Communications' is one of our curriculum drivers and performance and expression are core in music.

Singing skills are developed in weekly singing assemblies as well as through class lessons. Every child in Years 3-5 is offered an opportunity to learn an instrument. We have djembes, keyboards, recorders and ukuleles.

Children have the opportunity to undertake lessons provided by Kirklees Music School. Music clubs are offered and these can vary according to staff availability and interests. Children in Year 2 and above may join our choir.

We offer regular performance opportunities beyond music lessons. These include Class assemblies, the Xmas play, at community events and in the annual Summer Serenade.

The schools works with a range of artists – particularly during the annual Cultural Arts Week. This means that all pupils can listen to and participate I quality music making. In the past this has included folk music, African drumming, Asian music, singing opera and performing in 'Les Miserables'. We aim to inspire and bring music to life.

