

St Anne's Catholic Primary School Music Curriculum Celebration 2021

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Music

Music at St. Anne's is thriving, and we are blessed to have two very talented professional musicians working in school with our children, Mr. Cairns and Mr. Rawlinson.

In addition to our music curriculum taught by our own music specialist Mrs. Foulds, Mr. Cairns and Mr. Rawlinson offer additional piano, flute and guitar lessons for our children.



We are desperately looking forward to the school choir hopefully resuming in the new school year. Singing in church, performing at concerts, carol services and assemblies have been sorely missed this year by everyone.

In the curriculum, our Year 1 children have experienced different genres of music and expressed their feelings about music. Using the Charanga music scheme, they have been able to talk about how the pitch and tempo change in different pieces of music to alter the

dynamics. They have also performed collaboratively with one another, experimenting with glockenspiels to create original musical patterns.

In Year 4 the children have enjoyed listening to music inspired by the Ancient Egyptians and they have been able to give honest opinions about how the music made them feel.

The children also discovered what makes an orchestra so special; comparing instruments and grouping similar instruments into families.



On the subject of the orchestra, we hope to resume our annual visit to the Liverpool Philharmonic in Spring 2022, this time with the whole school! 'Ten Pieces' are performed live by the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra throughout the concert, with opportunities for the children to listen, watch, interact and have some fun. A wonderful experience and great opportunity for the children to fully

immerse themselves in the vibrant world of classical music. Thanks to Mrs. Foulds for coordinating this.

In Reception, the children have been learning to find the pulse and beat in various pieces of music. They have also learnt and performed 'The Hungry Caterpillar' song identified the different instruments they thought matched a particular timbre within the song. They have also been copying different pitch with their voices and varying tempo using drums and beaters. They have learnt and performed several songs including 'You've got a Friend in Me' from Toy Story, '3 Lions' and 'I Just can't wait to be King' from The Lion King. Fantastic!

