

Horningsham Primary School

Music Overview



Our Music programme aims to develop pupils' confidence, creativity, and enjoyment of music, encouraging them to think and work like musicians. Pupils are supported to explore, create, and respond to music through singing, listening, performing, and composing.

Music is taught each term across all three classes, ensuring regular and progressive exposure to key musical skills. The curriculum follows a spiral approach, allowing pupils to revisit and build on prior learning with increasing depth. Through practical music-making, pupils develop their understanding of rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, and structure, as well as their ability to work collaboratively and reflect on their learning.

This approach fosters musical appreciation, self-expression, and confidence, preparing pupils to engage with music both in school and in the wider world.

See our Music Development Plan for more information about our music provision.

Music	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Robins Cycle A	Keeping the Pulse (My Favourite Things)	Celebration Music	Sound Patterns (Fairytales)	Tempo (Snail and Mouse)	Musical Stories	Pitch (Superheroes)
Robins Cycle B	Exploring Sound	Transport	Big Band	Music and Movement	Musical Symbols (Under the Sea)	Dynamics (Seaside)
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Woodpeckers Cycle A	Creating Compositions in response to animation (Mountains)	Christmas Play	Jazz	Pentatonic Melodies + Composition (Chinese New Year)	Instrumental Unit: Recorders	Traditional Instruments + Improvisations (India)
Woodpeckers Cycle B	On this Island: British Songs + Sounds	Christmas Play	Orchestral Instruments (Traditional Stories)	Instrumental Unit: Recorders	Pitch (Musical Me)	West African Call + Response Song (Animals)
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Owls Cycle A	Looping and Remixing	Christmas Play	Samba + Carnival Sounds + Instruments	Ten Pieces	Instrumental Unit: Recorders	Rock and Roll
Owls Cycle B	Songs of World War II	Christmas Play	Film Music	Ten Pieces	Instrumental Unit: Glockenspiel	Blues
Owls Cycle C	Composition notation (Ancient Egyptian Theme)	Christmas Play	Baroque Music	Ten Pieces	Instrumental Unit: Recorders	South + West Africa