

Broughton CE Primary School



Music Vision Statement

Our vision for music at Broughton is to offer every child the opportunity to experience the wonderful world of music in its many different forms, styles and approaches. We believe that our music curriculum matches that of any school in the country and offers first rate opportunities to create, improvise, learn and perform and in doing so, inspire a new generation of young musicians. We believe in the words of Bono, 'music can change people'.

With this in mind, our curriculum is designed so that each year presents an opportunity for our pupils to learn a different instrument and skill. Starting in year one, pupils learn to sing simple songs and to play tuned/untuned percussion instruments. Always building on skills, in year two, pupils will learn to play the glockenspiel. In year three, pupils have the opportunity to learn the recorder. Year four focuses on vocal development and the singing voice. In year five, all pupils have the opportunity to learn the ukulele and in year six, pupils are presented with two opportunities to combine singing and acting in school plays and to develop music technology skills in Garageband. Working in ensembles allows our children to develop not only musical skills but also those of teamwork and kinsmanship.

Our approach to music is holistic and our aim is to inspire our children beyond the classroom by means of external experiences such as attending a live concert with The Hallé orchestra at The Bridgewater Hall in Manchester. There are performance opportunities at Blackburn Cathedral for the school choir at Christmas, in Blackpool Tower Ballroom in Summer and for Year 4 with Sing Together at King George's Hall also in Blackburn in March every year.

Extra-curricular opportunities include our school choir which rehearses and performs to an extremely high standard. Our show choir for pupils of years five and six which presents an opportunity to combine singing, dancing and acting within musical theatre. We also have clubs for the recorder, the ukulele and for hand chimes. Instrumental teaching also forms a strong part of our music provision with pupils enjoying lessons in piano, keyboard, violin, guitar, drums and singing.

Over and above everything, we want all our pupils to develop a love for music, be that to listen to, to create or to perform. We want our pupils to benefit from a first-class musical education both within school and in the wider community. We want our pupils to bring the joy of music to their families, their friends, their audiences. We want our pupils to leave school with happy memories and to marvel about the time they all made wonderful music together.