

Approach to Music

What Music looks like at Tadpole Farm CEPA...

At Tadpole Farm CEPA, our children are encouraged to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all children. The most effective way for children to gain an understanding of music is through opportunities to explore, recognise and respond to the musical elements of pitch duration, tempo, timbre, texture and structure, as well as to create, control and record these elements

Intent:

What do we want children to learn?

At Tadpole Farm CEPA, our intent is to provide opportunities for our pupils to perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including works of the great composers and musicians. We will provide opportunities for children to learn to sing and use their voices, to create and compose music. Children will understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated.

Implementation:

How do we do it at Tadpole Farm CEPA?

At Tadpole Farm CEPA, we make music an enjoyable learning experience. Our school uses the scheme 'Charanga' for music lessons which provides both resources and lesson plans for years 1 - 6. As our Reception classes are part of the Foundation Stage, we relate the musical aspects of the children's work to the objectives set out in the Early Learning Goals (ELGs) which underpin the curriculum planning for children aged 3 to 5.

Our lessons comprise of a mixture of teacher-led, whole class activities, and work for small groups and pairs. In Year One, children participate in Djembe drumming on a weekly basis and in Year 4, children participate in Ukulele lessons throughout the year. At the end of the school year, children have the opportunity to perform what they have learnt in front of school and parents. Children from across the school also have the opportunity to learn to play clarinet, piano, guitar as an extra-curricular enrichment.

Impact:

On leaving Tadpole Farm CEPA, children will...

The children at our school will have the experience of learning to play an instrument, singing, performing, appraising and composing. Our children will have developed a passion for music which will continue to flourish alongside their musical skills and knowledge

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