



Sing Education Newsletter

Music this term at Clifton Green

What a fantastic year of music-making! A major highlight has been watching our Year 6 students prepare for 'Oliver in a Twist!', as well the whole on KS2 preparing for their summer 'rock' concert! Students should feel immensely proud of what they have accomplished in music this year, your hard work and effort has resulted in incredible progress. I am excited to see our younger musicians tackle more complex ensemble playing and composition challenges in the new academic year!

Miss Orrell



What have we been doing in extra curricular?

Y1/2 Ocarina Club - Have had a great introduction to ocarinas, learning new notes and songs!

Y3/4 and Y5/6 Recorder/ Flute club - I've been so impressed with everyone trying out our new flutes! Most beginners take months before getting a sound, but lots of our club have managed to get a sound much quicker than usual. Well done all!



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What have we been learning this half term?

EYFS: We explored various musical sounds and instruments to create our own sound effects. We practiced listening, playing, and singing together to build our confidence in creating music as a collective.

Year 1: We explored rhythm and pitch by playing different patterns on untuned percussion instruments. We improved our ability to read and write rhythms, fostering teamwork and preparing us for future ensemble playing.

Year 2: We learnt to play rhythm and pitch accurately on the glockenspiel by reading stick and dot notation. We developed our instrumental skills by playing familiar melodies together, preparing us for more complex ensemble playing.

Year 3: We deepened our musicianship skills by focusing on how to use dynamics and tempo. We practised singing in rounds and playing percussion instruments while responding to changes in speed and volume, enhancing our musical expressiveness and preparing us for more complex performances.

Year 4: We explored how music can change mood by learning to recognise major and minor scales. We developed our musicianship and composition skills by creating and performing our own melodies using major, minor, and pentatonic tone sets.

Year 5: We investigated harmony by learning how to build and play chords and triads. We developed our ensemble and improvisation skills by layering bass lines, middle parts, and high parts to create rich musical soundscapes.

Year 6: We refined our vocal skills by learning and preparing songs from 'Oliver with a Twist!'



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What is tempo?

