

Music at Alexandra Primary School – Our Intentions:

Music involves a multitude of skills which need to be learnt and can be applied across the Curriculum. Music involves listening, composing and performance which enables children to gain confidence, collaborate with others and creativity.

Music Skills that we develop at APS include:

Singing: using voices with control and expression in unison with others.

Listening: identifying patterns within various styles of Music in order to recall melodies

Composition: using instruments to create patterns and melodies

Reading notation: using symbols and notation to perform short pieces of Music.

Performance: singing or using instruments to demonstrate use of musical elements

At APS, we want to foster an appreciation for various styles of Music throughout history and cultures. We want our children to be enriched by the Musical opportunities and experiences we can provide for them.

Aspire: Music develops skills which are transferable across the Curriculum. It develops collaboration and communication through group work composition and performances. It enables children to feel confident in sharing their ideas and performing to others. Children are reflective through sharing their opinions of different types of Music, as well as evaluating their own composition pieces.

Perform: We provide extra-curricular opportunities to provide memorable experiences for the children. The children participate in a Singing Assembly every week, where they are able to sing popular songs in unison and in parts. APS choir has enabled some pupils to perform at various venues in Hounslow and London and have experienced singing in parts, acapella and with other choirs.

Succeed: We want our children to leave APS with a love for Music as a tool to support wellbeing.

In order for our children to Aspire, Perform and Succeed, we use a variety of strategies, which include:

- playing a variety of musical instruments
- listening to various pieces of Music
- workshops and experts who visit the school
- performances
- singing assembly
- sharing of opinions
- choir
- external musical instrument lessons within school

We want our children to enjoy listening to and making music, making memorable experiences and develop transferable skills to support them across the curriculum and for future life chances.