

# Why we teach Music

We aim to provide an outstanding curriculum within a supportive, stimulating and creative learning environment that will allow all students to be creative and develop their self-expression.

## **Our aim is that our curriculum will:**

- Enable every student to meet or exceed their expectations and make excellent progress
- Enable every student to reach their full academic, personal, creative and musical potential and instil a passion for learning
- Enable every student to meet or exceed their own perceptions and achieve the best possible musical results
- Embrace all cultures, beliefs and musical traditions
- Nurture every student to become a successful adult who will impact positively on their local community and society as a whole.
- Introduce students to a wide range of music styles and genres from across the world and throughout history using ensemble and solo exploration work.
- Provide the opportunity for students to take part in extracurricular activities including productions, performance evenings and trips/workshops.
- Develop students understanding of careers in the arts and how skills can be transferred to support future opportunities.

Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of our students is explored through a variety of practical tasks. British Values are supported through ensemble activities where students share ideas, make independent creative decisions and practise mutual respect and tolerance through reflective activities. We aim to build on the work of primary schools to provide continuity in education for our Year 7 students.

We aim to provide a broad and balanced curriculum by exploring a range of instruments, musical styles from singing to Samba. We also introduce students to creating music using specialist Music technology software in order to reflect the variety of ways that Music is created and performed. Students are introduced to the key skills needed to succeed in Music: performing, composing and listening. Students are taught a broad and balanced curriculum exploring a range of instruments and musical styles including Guitar, Jazz, Gamelan and Film Music.

The curriculum is further supported by providing the exciting opportunity for students to opt for instrumental tuition with visiting teachers from Brent Music Services on a variety of instruments including Keyboard, Guitar and Voice. We offer extended learning activities to enhance student's curriculum experience including Choir and Dhol club. Students have the opportunity to share their progress at a number of school events from performing at the Winter Concert, Alperton Summer Festival, Primary School visits to local community events including celebrations.