

Celebrating Music

Subject Review 2021-2022



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Music for Mental Health



With a huge focus on the children's mental health, lots of classes have utilised music within the classroom. It has been used for quiet time to aid concentration, musical interventions as well as meditation time and brain breaks.



Djembe Drumming

This year, Year 4 and 5 had lessons with Mr Odedra learning to play the Djembe drum. The children's knowledge of the interrelated dimensions of music increased as they played, performed and composed using the Djembe.

Some Year 5 children also taught some of their skills to the Foundation children.

"Drumming this year was lots of fun. I have learnt a lot about high notes and low notes."

Year 5 Pupil

"Mr Odedra taught us lots of rhythms."

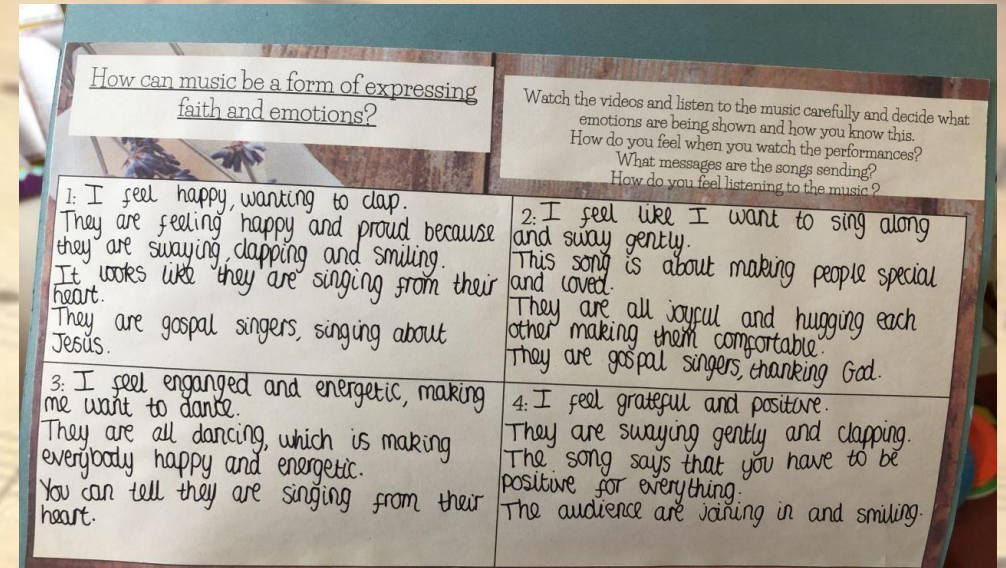
Year 5 Pupil



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Many year groups have integrated music into their curriculum to aid learning.

Home learning



Most year groups were able to include music in some way during online learning. Mr Odedra recorded Djembe drumming sessions, Y2 did lots of dancing and moving to music at home and lots of children joined in with Mrs Vyas' bhangra workout videos.



Abbey Performances



Even though performing has been a challenge, we were still able to use music within our celebrations this year. Performances include Harvest assembly, remembrance assembly, Diwali performance, Christmas performance and Eid performance.

"I really enjoyed doing the Diwali performance, I practiced the songs with my friends in the playground."

Year 3 Pupil



[Diwali 2020 \(Main\).mp4 - Google Drive](#)

The Music Room

This year, our Music room, has been renovated. It has had a fresh coat of paint, a brand new carpet and has been decorated with a musical mural. We also have custom shelving that has been built to store our brand new class set of Djembe drums.

