Music Impact Statement 2022-23

Music enables children to develop an understanding of culture and history, both in relation to children individually, as well as ethnicities from around the world. Children are able to enjoy music in as many ways as they choose – either as listener, creator or performer. Children have the opportunity to discuss and share their own thoughts, opinions and ideas, acknowledging and respecting that these may vary and that this is positive. They will learn about the varieties of music created and performed across the globe as well as the contribution made by their own home city over the years. They can dissect music and comprehend its parts. They can sing and feel a pulse.

At St. Austin's children are provided with opportunities beyond the National Curriculum to further and support their understanding. External interests and talents are encouraged and showcased, ensuring everyone is challenged regardless of previous musical experience. Children have an understanding of how to further develop skills less known to them, should they ever develop an interest in their lives.

All pupils will benefit from a high-quality music education, which engages and inspires them to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians. It will increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they will develop a growing musical vocabulary that allows them to critically engage with music.

Teaching and learning of music is a reflective process for the children as they are given the opportunities to assess themselves and their peers. The children also celebrate their success and skills with their peers and wider audiences. We assess through teacher assessment, pictures and video evidence which captures each child's progress throughout the year.