

## **West Leigh Junior School Music Development Plan**

## **Our Vision and Intent**

At West Leigh Junior School, music is an integral part of the culture of the school. We aim for children to develop a life-long love of music through the use of musical experiences to engage and inspire. At the heart of the music curriculum are creativity, curiosity, perseverance and excitement which in turn lead to children developing their self-confidence, self-esteem and collaborative skills. Musical opportunities allow the children to explore their emotions to support their mental health as well as following a progressive sequence of learning which fosters an understanding of music.

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What do we		Current Provision	Aims for the Future
include in our	In the	- Each class takes part in a thirty-minute music lesson weekly taught by music specialists.	Invest in more
provision at	classroom	<ul> <li>Instrument lessons – children in the lower school (Years 3 and 4) learn how to play the recorder;</li> </ul>	instruments to
West Leigh		children in the upper school (Years 5 and 6) learn how to play the ukulele and keyboard.	support class
Junior School?		<ul> <li>Tuned and untuned percussion are used regularly to support learning rhythm notation.</li> </ul>	learning.
		<ul> <li>Lessons are planned to support a broad and balanced curriculum and are strongly linked to the Model</li> </ul>	
		Music Curriculum.	
		<ul> <li>Adapted for all children to participate through adult support and resource adaptation.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Vocal technique is developed through all four years; children understand posture, how to sing safely and</li> </ul>	
		how to communicate with an audience.	
		<ul> <li>Composition projects linked to the ENO and making use of music technology (DAWs) to compose.</li> </ul>	
	Beyond the	- Thirty-minute music assembly for whole school every week.	'Music Monday' to
	classroom	- Composer of the Month shared in music assemblies	be introduced as a
	(Co-	- Boys' Choir	way to share various
	curricular)	- Girls' Choir	genres of music on
		- Chamber Choir	the playground.
		- Ukulele Group	
		- Recorder Group	
		- Peripatetic lessons – guitar, piano, drums, brass, violin, cello.	
	Enrichment	<ul> <li>Free Workshops provided through Music Hub (Song Writing and Samba Batucada)</li> </ul>	Develop a good
	(experiences)	<ul> <li>Attending performances at local secondary schools.</li> </ul>	working relationship
		<ul> <li>Local secondary schools visiting West Leigh.</li> </ul>	with the new
		<ul> <li>Performers visiting the school e.g. Jeff Rich, The Music Man Project.</li> </ul>	Greater Essex Music
		- Attending theatres locally.	Hub.
	Performance	<ul> <li>Year group collaborate by incorporating music/singing, drama to present to parents each year.</li> </ul>	Continue to seek
	Opportunities	- Christmas Carol Service at St Margaret's Church.	opportunities and
		<ul> <li>Young Voices, Junior Music Festival and South East Essex Music Association Festival.</li> </ul>	relationships for
		<ul> <li>Concerts outside of school with music groups from across the town.</li> </ul>	further community
		<ul> <li>Community Outreach – visits to local church group, singing for homeless charities.</li> </ul>	outreach and
			performances.