

# Music Curriculum Intent and Implementation Statement for Townhill Junior School

## **Intent**

At Townhill Junior School, our music curriculum aims to foster a lifelong love of music and to help every child feel that they are musical. We focus on developing the skills, knowledge, and understanding necessary for children to become confident performers, composers, and listeners. Our curriculum introduces children to a diverse range of music from around the world and across generations, teaching them to respect and appreciate the music of all traditions and communities.

Our objectives are to:

Develop musical skills in singing, playing tuned and untuned instruments, improvising, composing, and listening.

Cultivate an understanding of the history and cultural context of music.

Encourage the development of transferable skills such as teamwork, leadership, creative thinking, problem-solving, decision-making, and presentation skills.

## **Implementation**

Our music curriculum is delivered through the Kapow Primary Music scheme, which takes a holistic approach by integrating various musical strands into engaging and enriching learning experiences. Each unit combines:

**Listening and evaluating**

**Creating sound**

**Notation**

**Improvising and composing**

**Performing**

Lessons are designed to be hands-on and incorporate movement, dance, and cross-curricular links. Pupils actively participate in musical activities from a range of styles and traditions, developing their musical skills and understanding of how music works. Teaching strategies include independent tasks, paired and group work, improvisation, and teacher-led performances.

To ensure accessibility and progression:

Differentiated guidance is provided for every lesson.

Knowledge organisers support the recall of key facts and vocabulary.

Teacher videos and CPD opportunities, through Kapow, enhance staff subject knowledge and confidence.

Music is timetabled weekly, and we utilize various tools and resources to support the implementation of the scheme. We also offer extra-curricular activities and enrichment opportunities to raise the profile of music within the school: peripatetic music lessons are offered, at a cost, for a range of musical instruments and singing; a choir and music club are regularly available for pupils to participate in during lunchtime.

