

**St Giles' C. E. Primary School**

**Our vision for Music**



<p><b>RESPONSIBILITY</b></p>	<p>Music is an essential part of life, integral to the development of the whole person. We believe that the opportunity to engage in musical experiences is crucial for the development of the whole child. Learning music develops <b>resilience</b> in all aspects of a child's learning, from the physical action of using an instrument to the mathematical skills needed to keep a pulse. These abilities are directly transferable to other areas of the curriculum, allowing them to flourish, and will be invaluable in their future life.</p>
<p><b>RESILIENCE</b></p>	<p>At our school, children have access to music through regular classroom activities and formal music lessons, as well as extra opportunities such as peripatetic music lessons and wider performance opportunities with other schools and in the local community. Through playing, singing, creating and performing together, children will develop confidence and <b>respect</b> as well as improving their emotional well-being. In addition, as these activities utilise both sides of the brain, it will foster connections, which will improve memory and coordination.</p>
<p><b>RESPECT</b></p>	<p>The skills involved in playing and listening to music will also help learners develop the <b>responsibility</b>, self-discipline, cooperation, creativity, and self-motivation necessary for success. Children will find that music is enjoyable and relaxing which will help reduce stress. All children will be able to experience a sense of achievement and pride. The different cultures within the school will be celebrated as the children learn songs in different languages.</p> <p>Through our links with Shropshire Music Service, every child will have the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument and all children in KS2 will be offered further peripatetic lessons in a variety of instruments. It is our vision that children adopt an understanding and love of music, which they carry with them for the rest of their lives.</p>