

# Music Newsletter

## January, February and March

March 2022

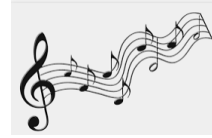
Dear Families,

Here at Duxbridge Lane, we pride ourselves in offering a rich and varied music curriculum. We also offer a music extra-curricular activity club, which is open to the children in years 2-5. The club offers children the chance to further develop their skills in singing and playing a musical instrument. At present, all the classes are working towards learning a performance to share with the other classes, as well as practising their skills of musicianship, notation reading and improvisation. We look forward to the time when we can, once again, invite you all in to see the amazing work your children have achieved as we are sure you will be amazed and proud of their achievements like we are.

In Reception, music and singing happen on a daily basis. Together, the children enjoy singing rhymes and playing instruments, both inside and out doors. This term, the children have been introduced to playing the glockenspiel. They have been learning how to hold the beaters and how to create a nice sound on the instrument, as well as practising keeping the beat. Great fun has been had and good progress has been made.



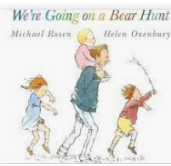
Within Nursery we have been exploring different sounds in the environment, singing along to our own music, and using instruments to explore loud and quiet.



In Y2, the children have started to learn a song called Hands, Feet, Heart. Within this song, they have been learning a short glockenspiel part too. In addition to this, they have been practising beat keeping, rhythm copy backs and changing the pitch of their voices.

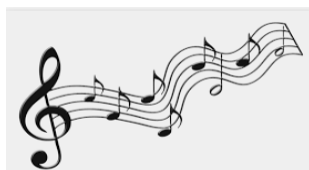


Year 1 have been learning all about beat, rhythm and pitch. They have also explored the timbres of different musical instruments so that they could choose suitable sound effects to play alongside the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'.



In Key Stage Two, the children have been developing their skills in improvisation, notation reading, beat keeping and performance. They have been learning how to read different pitch notes on the staff and some children can now play short melodies following standard notation.

I've been so proud of the children's achievements.



Due to Covid restrictions, music club has been on hold but we are glad to say that it is starting again on Tuesday 15th March and will run for the rest of the school year.



Y5 enjoyed learning to sing Freedom is coming-a part song. Not only were they able to sing confidently in 2 parts, their glockenspiel playing was amazing! Well done Y5.