



## Escomb Primary School Statement for Music



Music and singing form a regular part of school for every child, and our collective worship sees the expression of high quality singing on a regular basis.

Children explore and enjoy simple percussion instruments from their first days and continue to develop their musical skills throughout their school life.

Music is taught as part of the National Curriculum in normal lesson time for all children. The children and staff can access the Charanga music website which supports a wide range of teaching and learning from singing to instrumental tuition.

The main aims of the national music curriculum are to ensure children:

- perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians;
- learn to sing and to use their voices to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of musical excellence;
- understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

As well as our general music curriculum, there are a wide range of other musical activities on offer including:

- Instrumental tuition
- school choir for those who enjoy singing. The choir sings at a number of events through the school year. In previous years they have performed at 'A Song for Europe' at The Sage in Gateshead and have sang for the Countess of Wessex at the opening of the new village community centre.