



Our Vision for Music and Creative Arts at St. Matthew's Primary School

The Arts is essential in delivering our mission statement; "Through respect, we will work together, in Christ, to develop the whole person." Our vision of the Arts and the value we place in them enables pupils to reach their full potential, allowing them to become socially, morally, emotionally, intellectually, spiritually and culturally integrated members of society. As the Arts stimulate creativity and imagination they provide a unique way of understanding and responding to the world, equipping children with a better understanding of the world they live in and enabling them to communicate their experience. We provide many opportunities for all children to create, play and perform and develop the skills necessary to appreciate a wide variety of art forms. Through experiencing the Arts, children are given the opportunity to enhance their creativity, self-esteem and confidence in a challenging and collaborative environment.

Aims, Objectives and Impact

- To develop the whole person
- To challenge, create and collaborate
- To develop creativity and imagination through a range of complex activities.
- To improve the children's ability to control materials, tools, instruments and techniques.
- To increase their critical awareness of the Arts in different times and cultures.
- To develop increasing confidence in the Arts.
- To foster an enjoyment and appreciation of the Arts and a knowledge of artists.
- To develop a range of subject-specific skills, such as understanding how music is made through a variety of interrelated dimensions and that it can be composed and written down.

Creative Projects and Partnerships

Including, but not limited to;

- Weekly Dance lessons delivered by Strike Dance, including Gifted and Talented Dance club

- Weekly Music lessons delivered by Rosy Smith, including Choir and Gifted and Talented Woodwind club
- Arts Award Discover and Explore
- Continued partnership with Liverpool Everyman and Playhouse
- Continued partnership with Anchor Education to enrich SPAG through Music and Drama
- Continued partnership with Resonate, including the annual iSing event at Liverpool Philharmonic
- Continued partnership with St John Bosco, giving the children the chance to both watch and take part in Creative Arts activities;
 Gifted and Talented Dance participate in annual Dance festival at St. John Bosco
 Choir participate in annual Choir competition at St. John Bosco
 Gifted and Talented Drama watch Christmas performance and take part in annual Primary Production in Spring
- KS2 "Into Film" Film club
- Reception and Key Stage One Christmas nativity
- Key Stage Two summer production
- Whole school Arts week working with a variety of artists/art organisations