

Music At Eversley

Welcome

This newsletter aims to show you the activities and opportunities that children at Eversley have in Music. It tells you what happens in music lessons, instrumental lessons, clubs and ensembles that take place during the school day; including musical trips.

I hope that you feel more informed after reading this. I am always grateful to the staff who lead musical clubs, the tutors who teach instrumental lessons, the parents association and for your support for all these activities.

Mrs Evans

Concerts



Children have the opportunity to perform in many concerts throughout the school year; Year 2 Song Sack concert, Year 3 Recorder concerts, Year 5 musical concert and Year 6 singing in the O2 Arena in London as part of the Young Voices Choir. You can hear Year groups and classes singing many times during the school year. The choir and the Advanced String ensemble were given the opportunity to perform for the audience at the final of the Mayors Award for Writing; they gave amazing performances and showcased the musical talent there is at our school.

The musical highlight of each term is the Musical Concert, which happens shortly before the end of term. In this concert you can hear each of our choirs and ensembles perform the music they have been working on during the term. Over 100 children perform in these concerts each year.

Singing

Every class sings in every music lesson. During the year you get the opportunity to hear singing in concerts, productions and assemblies. The highlights from this year include - Year 2 starting the year with a 'Song Sack' concert where they learned songs for 9 weeks and then performed them in a concert, Year 4 'Alice' production, Year 5 'Musical Concert' and Year 6 singing at the O2 Arena. Year 6 are now learning the songs for their production of 'Aladdin.'



Whole Class Instrumental Teaching

The Year 3 children spend their music lessons learning to play the recorder. Each child has their own, named recorder and parents can hear their progress at concerts in December and March.



Learning a musical instrument has many benefits for children; increased coordination, concentration and learning the importance of striving for excellence. The recorder is an instrument which makes music easy and the skills learned on it are easily transferable to other instruments.

Learning an Instrument

The Enfield Music Service have tutors who come into school to teach the children who want to learn how to play musical instruments. We have over 90 children learning instruments through this service. Tutors who visit the school teach; piano, keyboard, violin, viola, cello, guitar, trumpet, trombone, French horn, clarinet, alto saxophone and singing. The best lesson to have is a 20 minute individual lesson.

Application forms with full details are available from the school office, music room or the Enfield Council web site.

Choirs, Clubs, Ensembles and Festivals

Eversley has many clubs where children meet to play their instruments together, learning a new set of skills. We have; a String ensemble for violin, viola and cello players, guitar ensemble, a Ukulele club and a Wind band for recorder, clarinet, oboe, flute, trumpet, trombone and French horn players, and two choirs. All these clubs are free for the children to join; we just ask that the children make a commitment to attend promptly, each week. These ensembles perform at our end of term musical concert, meaning there is a purpose to the weekly sessions.

There are termly Music Festivals where different groups of children learn songs and sing them with children from other local schools.

