

**At St. Peter's** our Music teaching will aim to ensure that each child has the opportunity to foster an enjoyment of music, whether that is listening to music, singing or through being able to play a musical instrument. We regard it as an all-inclusive area of learning where we celebrate our differences. Music promotes confidence and self-esteem through singing, playing and performing and facilitates children's creativity encouraging them to develop their own musical ideas through composition.

### Events and Opportunities

Children are invited to be members of the Infant and Junior Choirs. The choirs perform in the local community for Senior Citizens at the Age UK Carol Service at St. Peter's Church and market during the Christmas period. In addition to those events the choirs take part in the Christmas Concerts at Blackburn Cathedral. The Junior Choir participates in singing festivals and competitions throughout the year.

The children listen to a variety of music genres in Worship which help enhance their musical, historical and geographical knowledge. Weekly Singing Worship allows children to practise and perform a range of songs including traditional, memorable and those with themed lyrics.

Music plays an important part in individual Class Worship where all children are able to perform for the school and parents. Classes work in pairs together to lead various seasonal services in church.

### Music Impact

By the time children leave St Peter's, they have experienced a range of opportunities to perform, listen and compose using notation. They will have developed an understanding of the history of Music and have been immersed in music belonging to different cultures. They will have had many opportunities to play a variety of tuned and untuned instruments and use their voices individually and within a group.

## Music at St Peter's

**"Sowing the seeds of tomorrow"**

Matthew 13: 1-23

Music is taught at St.Peter's as part of our cross curricular topic work in all year groups. The teaching and learning of music is mostly practical with opportunities to record work through writing, notation or the use of ICT equipment. It will include exposure to music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions.

As an extra-curricular activity children are able to learn the guitar in small group lessons with qualified teachers.

### **The children's voice!**

"Music makes me calm but some makes me jiggle!"

"It doesn't matter who you are, everyone can do it."

"I can tell you what the pulse is. It's the heartbeat of the music."

"I like creating music by matching sounds on the instruments."

"Music's great! It's more than just singing and playing instruments - there's vocabulary for it just like Maths!"