

Music is at the heart of our Cockwood family, enriching our school community and bringing together both staff and children through song and celebration. We strongly believe that every child should have access to a range of musical experiences, and have the chance to perform, compose and play at every age and stage of their musical journey. Every child receives a dedicated Music lesson every week, where pupils can create and perform using both traditional instruments and innovative digital technologies. Each lesson builds on prior knowledge and experiences, utilising the key elements of rhythm and beat keeping, notation and appraising to ensure a progression of skills and musical knowledge. To embed this musical development we offer singing assemblies every week as well as workshops from specialist musicians, giving all children the chance to play a new instrument in a class ensemble setting.

We take great pride in the performances we offer to families, from whole school Christmas shows to Harvest festivals, where each child has a part to play with the opportunity to perform musically and take to the stage and shine.

We strive to keep our music provision progressive and relevant, and it is important to us that all our children can take part in external musical experiences, ranging from classical music performances to the eclectic 'Mix' festival. We have a busy school choir who represent the school throughout the year in events with other schools and in the local community, and we also have a range of peripatetic teachers offering both single and group lessons, giving all children the chance to further their musical ability and perform to an audience in our annual Music Showcase.