



Preston & Wingham Primary Schools Federation



**Learning together, we grow kind hearts  
and healthy minds.**

## Statement of Intent for Music

### Intent

#### Why do we teach this?

Music is a way of expressing thoughts and feelings. It reflects our culture and the society in which we are a part of as well as having an important historical context. It is in this way that music supports the child's understanding of the world and their place within it. Music therefore is a vehicle for self-expression, to support pupils in dealing with feelings, to build self-esteem and confidence and to motivate children to achieve success in acquiring key knowledge and skills, leading them to be lifelong lovers of music.

### Implementation

#### What do we teach and how?

We use Kapow to support the teaching of music. As a creative subject, music is taught practically with fun and engaging lessons that allow children to be hands on and making decisions in their own learning. The music curriculum is taught in four main strands (Singing, listening, composing performing/instrumental performance) all of which build progressively upon knowledge and skills.

Within the music curriculum children study composers and learn to play a variety of musical instruments (ukulele, ocarina and recorders). Opportunities are given throughout the school for the children to share their musical talents.

### Impact

#### What will this look like?

Children actively engage in music, adding greater depth to their learning through learning knowledge about key composers, gaining an understanding of music history, learning to read notation and applying this knowledge when learning to play a musical instrument. The progression within the music curriculum allows knowledge and skills to be returned to, built upon and embedded. It is in this way that the music curriculum ensures no child is left behind and that music is a part of every day school life along with its positive impact on health and well-being.