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## **MUSIC STATEMENT**

Music is considered an important aspect of the school's general education policy. A good music education will contribute to learning in the whole school curriculum. We provide an environment within the school in which children can successfully experience the aesthetic qualities of music education.

Through our Music Curriculum we aim to help children to:

- participate in music as performers, composers, listeners and appraisers.
- develop creativity and self-expression through the medium of sound.
- develop the necessary skills and concepts whilst engaged in musical activity
- experience enjoyment through making music with others
- strive to achieve the highest possible standards in music whilst developing personal satisfaction and self-confidence
- develop awareness of musical traditions in other cultures and societies
- the children of Polesden Lacey Infant School are provided with a broad base of skills and first hand experiences, on which they can build and achieve high standards.

### **Classroom Practice**

At Polesden Lacey School each class have lessons throughout the year. A wide range of music making activities is offered linked, where appropriate, to topics and school productions.

### **Other Experiences / Opportunities Offered**

The children are encouraged to listen to music and sing together during school assemblies. A singing practice for the whole school is held weekly. School performances take place throughout the year for special occasions and celebrations, e.g. Christmas, Class Assemblies and Leavers' Assembly. There are occasional opportunities for Polesden Lacey children to participate in community music initiatives with other schools in the area.

Children in Year 2 are given the opportunity to learn the recorder in school. Instrumental lessons (service provided by Surrey Arts) are also offered.

This is supported at home through Charanga on line software.