

## Music at St Mark's

We want children to develop their musical appreciation and skills through a range of listening, learning and composition activities so that they build a repertoire of songs that they can sing as well as the ability to create and respond to music.

We aim for all children to have the opportunity to learn the basics of a pitched instrument and we have recorders and ukuleles for this. We also work with First Access who deliver lessons to whole classes in a range of instruments.

Singing is very important and is linked with our place in the community. Our pupils are confident to sing in front of each other and an audience and perform in the Christmas Plays and at the Patronal Festival. An informal choir sings at local Carol services, PTA events and the Senior Citizens Christmas Party. Older children have the opportunity to sing as part of a choir of schools in the local Songfest and Class 2 Carol sing round the village to reach local people who may not get to hear Carols and to raise money for charity.

Through dance in PE children have regular opportunities to develop their musicality by moving to music.