

Why is it a great subject for children to study at OJS?

Music plays a vital role in fostering social interaction and nurturing a shared understanding of the world around us. It connects children to one another, to different cultures, and to their own emotions—building empathy, confidence, and collaboration.

At our Junior School, pupils are immersed in a rich musical environment where they:

Engage in regular singing activities, both in class and during whole-school assemblies, promoting unity and vocal development.

Explore a wide range of musical techniques, gaining hands-on experience with rhythm, melody, harmony, and notation.

Receive instrumental tuition, either through class-based learning or specialist peripatetic lessons, helping them develop discipline and skill.

Why is it a great subject to teach at OJS?

At Overdale Junior School, music is delivered through a well-structured and inclusive programme that ensures all pupils can access high-quality musical experiences, regardless of background or ability.

We use ready-made, interactive resources that are fully aligned with current government guidelines. These materials are thoughtfully differentiated to support teachers with varying levels of musical expertise, ensuring consistency and confidence in delivery across the school.

Our strong partnership with Leicestershire Music enriches our provision further. Their expert practitioners work alongside our staff to deliver engaging lessons, share best practices, and provide pupils with exciting opportunities for live performance and musical collaboration. These experiences help bring music to life and deepen pupils' understanding and enjoyment.

In addition to weekly class lessons, our music curriculum includes:

Why is it important for the children's future life?

Music is woven into the fabric of everyday life—it surrounds us, connects us, and helps us make sense of the world. At our Junior School, we believe it is our responsibility to ensure that every child has the opportunity to experience the richness of music in all its forms.

We are committed to exposing pupils to a wide variety of musical genres and instruments, encouraging them to explore, appreciate, and celebrate the diversity of sound. Music is not just something to learn—it is something to create, to share, and to enjoy together. Through collaborative activities such as singing, composing, and listening, children learn to communicate, empathise, and grow as individuals and as part of a community.

As technology continues to shape the way we live and learn, we recognise the importance of keeping pace in the world of music. Our curriculum integrates music technology in creative and engaging ways, equipping pupils with the skills to compose, produce, and perform using modern tools. Whether through digital

Enjoy opportunities to perform live, sharing their musical achievements with peers, families, and the wider community.

Experience the excitement of live performances, deepening their appreciation for music and inspiring their own creative journeys.

Through these experiences, music becomes more than a subject—it becomes a language of connection, expression, and discovery.

Whole-school singing assemblies, promoting unity, vocal development, and joy through shared musical experiences.

A variety of after-school and lunchtime clubs, offering enrichment and exploration beyond the classroom.

Access to peripatetic instrumental tuition, allowing pupils to pursue individual musical interests and develop their talents.

The use of music technology, encouraging creativity and modern approaches to composition and performance.

Music is a truly magical subject to teach. The joy of watching children grow in confidence, develop their skills, and find genuine enjoyment in music is one of the most rewarding aspects of school life.

composition, sound editing, or interactive platforms, we ensure that children are prepared to thrive in a musical landscape that is constantly evolving.

Music at our school is more than a subject—it's a journey of discovery, expression, and joy