

## Spiritual Development in Music

Spiritual development is about supporting the children to be able to develop the language to talk about life: its great times, its difficult times and times that are happening right now. To help these discussions, we have introduced to the children the language of 'wows' (the great times), 'ows' (the difficult times) and 'nows' (the times that are happening right now).

Spiritual development is promoted throughout the teaching and learning of Music at Holy Trinity Primary School. Music lessons are a way to express, compose and reflect. Pupils are given the opportunity to collaborate as a group and play and sing together with a mission to create a culture where it's OK to:

- flourish, grow and be respected
- be curious and have an open mind
- be guided by your values
- experience awe and wonder
- empathise with others
- learn and grow following failure
- love and care for yourself and each other
- be thankful for what is good
- appreciate the natural world
- feel emotions in response to listening to music
- express emotions and creativity
- develop a sense of self and community
- connect with spiritual traditions of the past through a deeper sense of appreciation, empathy and identity

Opportunities to explore Wows and Ows in Music could include:

	Wows	Ows
All subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celebration of success</li> <li>• Learning from a mistake</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disappointments / failures and mistakes</li> <li>• Struggling – finding something hard</li> </ul>
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performing together</li> <li>• Singing together and the benefits of singing</li> <li>• Performing to an audience and celebrating the performances</li> <li>• Listening to music from around the world and celebrating different cultures / traditions</li> <li>• Inspiration for composition from beauty e.g. in nature</li> <li>• Mastering new skills on instruments</li> <li>• Working collaboratively</li> <li>• Opportunities to showcase our creativity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When performances don't go as planned</li> <li>• The effects of nerves and fear when performing or sharing our work</li> <li>• Finding it hard to keep practising a skill when it is tricky - the need for resilience</li> <li>• Understanding some of the painful things that happen in the world and throughout history that contribute to music making</li> </ul>