**Music**

We support the views espoused by the education department and believe that excellent quality music education helps improve concentration, behaviour, Numeracy and language as a direct result of community participation and working together.

We too believe that music helps bind pupils into the wider life of the school and ensure it forms part of the taught curriculum and the wider life of the school. It is a universal language understood by people of every culture. We believe that every pupil should experience the joy of musical discovery.

We believe it is unfair that this should be the preserve of those whose parents can afford it. We want every pupil to learn a musical instrument and this forms part of the primary curriculum with the use of tuned instruments. We are reassured that our philosophy is supported by the DfE’s National Plan for Music Education which espouses much of what we want for our pupils at Chichester Free School.

The School will become part of a local community rich in music.

We work closely with West Sussex music service and currently our pupils are learning to play the clarinet, the cello and how to sing and use percussion instruments. Specialist teachers come in to school to work with all classes in Primary. There is singing every day in every class and we use materials provided by the national Sing Up as our resource and music is used in many lessons to support learning in topics.

Sing up has an outstanding reputation and provides excellent materials for specialists and non-specialists to use in the classroom. We are committed to nurturing a generation of talented musicians, who will have a life-long love of music.