

Music at Wallscourt Farm Academy

Music plays an important part in the life of children at Wallscourt Farm Academy, giving pupils the opportunity to perform, to express themselves and to boost their self-esteem.

Singing Gatherings

We have a Singing Gathering once a week when children learn new songs which help to extend their repertoire. Soon we will be incorporating these songs into our other gatherings, e.g. Friday's Celebration Gathering.

Harvest and Christmas Singalongs

The whole school came together as a singing community to celebrate our Harvest and Christmas songs. It was standing room only for the parents and families who enjoyed whole school songs and songs from individual year groups.

"The children sang so confidently and knew all the words to so many songs. They clearly enjoy singing at Wallscourt Farm!"



African Drumming Workshop

On 13th October 2017 we were joined by Richard Olatunde Baker who helped us to learn the rhythms of African drumming. Children from Years 1 – 4 were all able to immerse themselves in this fantastic experience.

Wallscourt Farm Academy Choir

Wallscourt Farm Academy now has a newly formed Choir. We meet once a week and learn a variety of songs, including songs from musicals, different cultures and sometimes songs in different languages. On 2nd December 2017 Choir gave their first public performance when they took part in a Christmas concert at St Georges Hall with other schools from around Bristol. Choir were challenged with learning the words for thirteen new pieces by heart. They did a spectacular job and we were all extremely proud of their beautiful, enthusiastic singing!



"I really enjoyed singing on stage with lots of other children and I was really excited to meet Naomi Wilkinson from 'Naomi's Nightmares of Nature' on CBBC!"

Festive singing in the local and wider communities – Christmas 2017



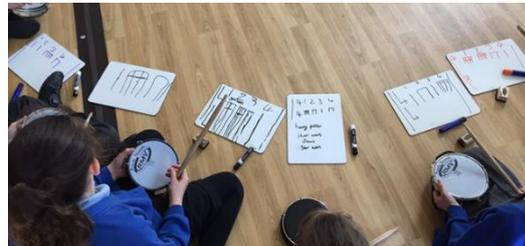
Looking absolutely stunning in their handmade reindeer hats, Year 2 set off to Colston Hall to join Horfield Primary School for a festive concert. Their singing was so impressive that it guided Father Christmas straight into the foyer! It was a brilliant performance and we were so pleased to be joined by so many families. "It was such a brilliant experience for them."

Year 4 also spread some festive cheer when they went to visit local residents at Cheswick Court. They were full of energy and enthusiasm as they shared the songs they had been learning for the Christmas Singalong and gave a fabulous debut performance of their year group song 'The Gift.' We also made it through 'The 12 Days of Christmas' with singing support from the residents as Year 4

demonstrated a multitude of actions. "It was fun being able to sing a song that everyone could join in with."

Y4 Samba Drumming

Year 4 have been enjoying learning all about Samba Drumming. Using call and response techniques, they have been learning how to play the different Samba instruments before moving on to becoming composers and writing their own Samba music. We look forward to seeing their performance in a few weeks' time which will showcase all they have learnt, including some of their own compositions!



Sing, Sing, Sing! – Summer 2018

This summer we are excited to have the opportunity to participate in the LAST schools' Summer Concert at the Colston Hall before it closes for its transformation in June 2018. On Tuesday 5th June we will be joining over 2000 pupils from schools all over Bristol when the Hall is taken over in a singing extravaganza. Year 2 will take part in the morning of celebration and will perform songs on the theme of Feeling Good. The afternoon is the turn of Wallscourt Farm Academy Choir who will be singing songs on the theme of Singing!