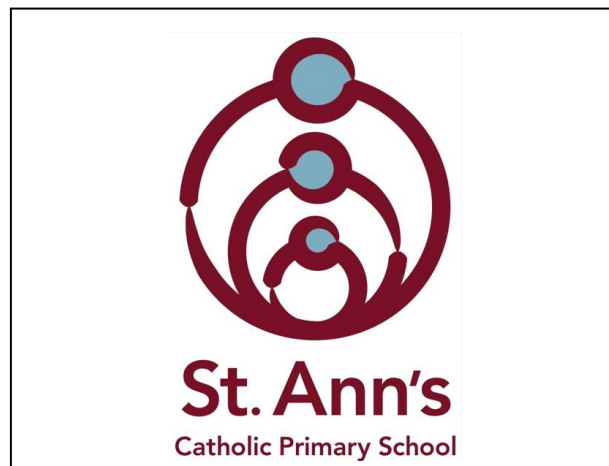




# ST CLARE

Catholic Multi Academy Trust



Growing and Learning with the Guidance of God

With God at the heart of all we do, we aim to provide a loving and caring Catholic community, where everyone is precious. We nurture each other with kindness to create treasured memories and values that stay with us for life.

'You, Lord, are all I have and you give me all I need; my future is in your hands.' Psalm 16 Verse 5

## *Ethos and beliefs*

At St Ann's Catholic Primary School, we believe that ALL children should have access to good quality singing opportunities every week. We believe that singing is a truly inclusive musical activity that transcends all economical and academic boundaries and that it has a huge benefit on the wellbeing of our children.

## *Aims*

### *Our aims include:*

- We will sing in every assembly so that all children get to sing regularly in a whole school community setting
- All staff will join in the singing in assemblies
- There will be a singing element included in class music lessons
- Singing shall be encouraged to help explore subject content in all areas of the curriculum
- We will aim to ensure there is at least one singing session per week where teachers help focus the children on high quality singing with references being made to breathing/phrasing, articulation, projection, tone/dynamics etc.
- KS2 students will be encouraged to learn one song with more than one part in a half term to build in an element of challenge and enhanced enjoyment and musical appreciation of singing in an ensemble
- All pupils should be given the opportunity to sing songs in a variety of genres: hymns, musicals, popular, jazz etc. and in a variety of styles: upbeat, slow, lyrical, powerful etc.
- All staff will plan to include singing in their class Liturgy's
- Singing strategies will be shared regularly to staff during meetings by the music lead
  - The school will aim to showcase their singing through, Young Voices (every two years), Christmas carol concert (alternate year to Young Voices), Nativity production, Year 5/6 end of year production, class Liturgy's etc.
  - There will be a designated part of the schools weekly News Letter which will sign post opportunities for children to get involved with singing and other musical opportunities outside of school

### ***Yearly Events***

- Half Termly – Class Liturgy's
- Autumn Term – Carol concert (whole school) or Young Voices (yr 3/4)
- Christmas – EYFS/KS1 Nativity production, Carol singing at care home (Yr 5/6), Blessing of the crib (whole school)
- Easter – Holy week
- July – End of Year 5/6 production

### ***Plans for Development***

- Deliver staff training to ensure that all staff are secure in delivering high quality singing with references being made to breathing/phrasing, articulation, projection, tone/dynamics etc.
- Produce a musical vocabulary sheet for all teaching /support staff so that there is consistent use of musical terminology throughout school