**Music-** Intent

At Stathern Primary School, it is our intent that we make music an enjoyable learning experience. We encourage children to participate in a variety of musical experiences through which we aim to build up the confidence of all children.

Our teaching focuses on developing the children’s ability in 6 core areas, this includes pulse, rhythm, voice, pitch, the use of technology in music and the history of music. The objective of our different units is to provide our pupils with a creative, exciting and inspiring curriculum that provides cross-curricular links and a joy for learning and experimenting with music. Each area of learning ends with the children recording a performance and then getting the opportunity to watch back and improve therefore developing a sense of pride and self-awareness.

Within all key stages, EYFS, KS1 and KS2 we try to include technology from being able to choose and select music to enjoy from a range of genres to composing a whole class performance using garage band, which is an app on the iPad.

The school also has whole class ensemble teaching in Years 3 and 4 where children are taught a specific musical instrument for a period of time. These lessons incorporate teaching musical notation, singing, as well as learning to play an instrument.  Follow on group music lessons are also available to pupils to continue to develop their skills and ability on a musical instrument the following year. Opportunities are taken to perform in class, in whole assemblies and also to parents and the wider community.

At Stathern we endeavour to give the children a variety of opportunities to sing and perform to an audience. We hold concerts throughout the year at our local church for Harvest, Christmas and Easter and then take part it bigger concerts in Melton, Belvoir Castle, Eastwell church and other local organisations.