

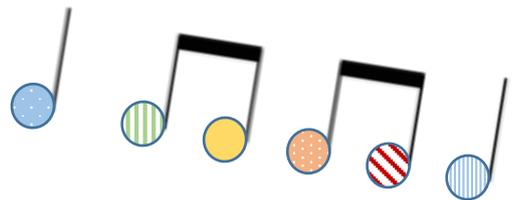


Music Maker workshops with Sirocco Winds.

Sirocco Winds offer a wide range of music workshops and concerts to schools in Scotland and beyond. In our workshops we offer a fun introduction to the wind quintet, playing lots of music to get your pupils singing and dancing. We also offer the unique opportunity to get your pupils composing!

Through the use of Kodaly stick notation for rhythms and brightly coloured circles to represent notes, making music with Sirocco Winds is both easy and fun! With our packages carefully tailored for each age group to meet many of the Expressive Arts Experiences and Outcomes as part of the Curriculum for Excellence this would be a perfect experience for the whole school to enjoy.

Packages:



1. Music Maker Workshop

Warm up games, introduction to the wind quintet, presentation of each instrument, 'Higher/Lower?' game, call & response rhythm work, composing in groups, première performances. Session concludes with the quintet playing music which involves the children singing and dancing.

2. Music Maker Workshop + Concert

Music Maker workshop in the morning plus a concert for the whole school in the afternoon, which includes a performance of the pupils' pieces from the workshop arranged for wind quintet.

3. Weekly Workshops

Weekly music sessions with a duo or trio from the quintet working towards a performance in assembly involving the quintet and the whole class. Content can be tailored towards any subject in the Curriculum for Excellence. (Recent examples of songs written for specific projects can be found at www.bassoonporter.weebly.com/education)

We are very excited to be working with you, all packages can be customised to your needs so please do get in contact if you have any special requests.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas Porter and Sirocco Winds

Comments from previous workshops:

“I believe the sessions you delivered offered high quality learning experiences for our pupils. Exploring cross curricular topics through music in this way enriched and developed children’s learning. The sessions brought our theme and topic to life and generated real enthusiasm, inspiring the learning back in the class.

The sessions involved the pupils working collaboratively, enabling the children to work in a variety of ways. Throughout all the sessions the children grew in confidence as they engaged with music as a creative process. A process which involved them in making decisions, and selecting the best performance ideas. The learning culminated in a musical performance of a very high standard and the pupils were very proud of themselves and all they achieved.”

Comments after weekly music sessions with Oakgrove Primary on Electricity and Knights & Castles.

“The Music Maker workshop and concert allowed the pupils to experience all the excitement and enjoyment of a live performance. The wind quintet played a variety of pieces, some traditional, some modern with a twist. The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to explore instruments and sounds in this dynamic way. The follow up workshop involved the children in composing their own music, learning about musical notation which the quintet later played in a whole school concert. Each aspect of the work carried out during the music maker session was of a high quality, delivered in a way that truly engaged the children.”

Comments after the ‘Music Maker’ workshop with Primary 3.



Check out www.soundcloud.com/sirocco-winds to hear some recordings of the wind quintet.

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