



CST : MUSIC



SUBJECT SAINT: ST CECELIA

**Preferential
Option for the
Poor**

Music is a powerful tool to raise awareness of poverty and social injustice. Songs can tell the stories of the poor, highlighting their struggles and aspirations. By sharing these stories through music, we can inspire empathy and compassion. Pupils are supported through funding to ensure that we have a fully inclusive environment, including extra curricular opportunities such as clubs, individual singing and instrumental lessons.

**The Common
Good**

Music brings pupils together, fostering a sense of community and solidarity. By sharing musical experiences, people can connect with one another on a deeper level, transcending cultural, social, and economic differences. Pupils share their successes through a concert culture, lunchtime recitals, informal concerts, in class, liturgical events such as form mass and whole school mass. We also have a staff choir.

**Care for
Creation**

Pupils are given the opportunity to perform and create music, often drawing inspiration from nature, incorporating sounds of the environment or evoking natural imagery in their works. This can deepen their appreciation for creation and inspire us to care for it.

**Sanctity
of Life**

Pupils use hymns, taize, spiritual music in both vocal and instrumental music to deepen their connection with God.
Music enhances liturgy at St Richard's Catholic College and allows pupils to express themselves and their feelings.

Solidarity

St Richard's Catholic College pupils grow as musicians in a fully inclusive environment.

Pupils work in ensembles, working as a team in both lessons and outside of school. Pupils have the opportunity to work with external providers, orchestras, conductors etc showing support of one another.

**Rights and
Responsibilities**

Music is a fundamental form of cultural expression. Pupils express their joy of music through three components; performing, composing and listening/appraising. Pupils make critical judgements on lyrics, compositional techniques, genres to ensure the music is suitable and accessible for all.

**Dignity of
Work**

Music can give voice to the experiences of workers, both the joys and the struggles. Songs and musical compositions can highlight the challenges faced by workers. This can raise awareness of these issues and inspire action to improve working conditions. Music is a creative endeavor that requires skill, talent, and hard work. By celebrating the creative process, we can honor the dignity of all workers, including those who work in the arts and music industry, reinforcing the value of creative work.