



Sing Education School Spotlight

**Victoria**

**Road**

**Primary School**





## Tell me a little about Victoria Road

Victoria Road is a small one form entry primary school in the centre of Ashford town. We put well-being and a love of learning at the heart of all we do. We feel children learn better when they are happy, settled and when learning is fun.

We serve a very local community who all live very nearby. We have a very diverse range of languages, religions and backgrounds which only serves to enhance and enrich our daily lives as we celebrate our differences and learn from other cultures. We really are a large family.

**-Kelly Collens, Victoria Road Headteacher**

## Victoria Road's Vision

- Fairness
- Honesty
- Enjoyment
- Respect
- Courage



## Tell me about your typical day

I teach KS2 at Victoria Road. My day starts with Year 5, a great class who love music and sing so well since I've started teaching them. I then run a ukulele club with KS2, primarily members of year 3, during lunchtime. After my own lunch break I then teach Year 6, Year 3 and Year 4. The children are across the board incredibly bright, enthusiastic and confident. They all join in with all the singing and playing and are engaged with the theoretical side of the lessons. It's a great school and I absolutely love teaching there.

**-Joe Linkens, Curricular Music Specialist**



Ashford  
Kent



## What is Sing Education's vision for music at Victoria Road?

The future at Victoria Road looks bright and promising, with plans to expand opportunities for students to explore and excel in music. We are committed to enhancing our music program by incorporating new technologies, diverse musical genres, and innovative teaching methods. These efforts will provide students with more avenues to express their creativity and develop their musical skills. Additionally, we aim to build stronger connections with the community and create more performance opportunities, ensuring that music remains a vibrant and integral part of the school's culture. Our vision is to cultivate a thriving musical environment where every student can achieve their full potential.

**-Bert Routledge, Sing Education Director**

## What is Victoria Road's vision for music?

We love Music at Victoria Road and try to incorporate it into all our learning. The children sing with passion and enjoyment which can be heard ringing through our school on a daily basis.

We want our children to experience more than singing. We want them to understand music and how it can be applied using different Instruments. We want children to listen to and appreciate a wide range of music and be able to identify tempo, rhythm, mood and Instruments within a piece. Lastly we want to give children the opportunity to hear and play a range of Instruments and develop the skills and confidence to have a go.

**-Ellen Galloway, Music Lead at Victoria Road**

Sing Education lessons since  
**2023**

So far that's...

**176**  
curricular  
music lessons

**44**  
ukulele  
clubs

**150**  
pupils  
taught



### Why did you choose Sing Education as your partner for music?

“We chose Sing Education as our music partner after seeing them in action on a demo lesson. The children were engaged, enjoying performing and learning the theory and practice of music at the same time. We thought this aligned with our school’s vision for music and would bring music to life in our school, as everyone can be a musician. There are so many opportunities for the children to perform and share a lifelong love of music.”

We liked the fact that someone with very high subject knowledge would be leading learning to ensure our pupils got a high quality music input as well as offering our teachers the chance for in-class CPD, upskilling their own music knowledge and abilities. Sometimes we don’t know who enjoys the lessons more, the children or the staff.

**-Ellen Galloway, Music Lead at Victoria Road**

### What is the most rewarding element of your job?

“I believe I have readied the children to take music seriously and inspire them to potentially pursue it in the future. I believe I have curated each and every one of them to love music and look forward to the lessons, which is shown through their participation with the singing and instrument playing.”

**-Joe Linkens, Curricular Music Specialist**



### Music Provision at Victoria Road

- ✓ 1 full day of specialist music provision every week
- ✓ A dedicated school music teacher
- ✓ Curricular music lessons for KS2
- ✓ Cover music teacher
- ✓ Music Development Plan
- ✓ Music Curriculum Pack
- ✓ Ofsted Deep Dive support
- ✓ Creative PPA solutions
- ✓ Lunchtime ukulele club
- ✓ External music opportunities, workshops and trips

### How does music impact the students at Victoria Road?

Our pupils have the opportunities to sing, play instruments and perform throughout their time here at Victoria Road. Children are inspired by music and have the chance to explore music further in lessons, clubs, through enrichment and performances. Our children can build their skills and knowledge and experience the joy that music brings.

Watching the children grow in confidence when performing in class or in front of others in Summer performances, school fetes, care homes and in assemblies. It makes us feel proud that their love and appreciation for music is growing.

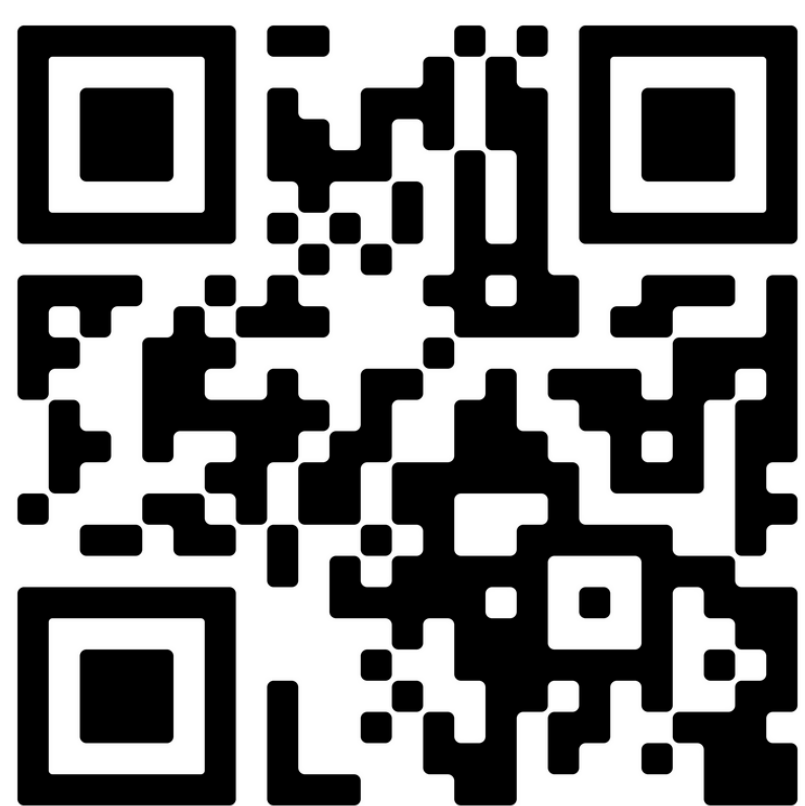
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