



Asta Hodgson

Cello Teacher

Also teaches beginner Violin and Piano

Information for Schools

First Access Tuition	Strings, recorder
Curriculum Music	Early Years, KS1, KS2, KS3
Ensemble Work	Choirs, orchestra, string ensembles
Other	Extra curricular activities e.g. percussion groups, drumming circles, musical direction for productions

About Asta

Asta first started teaching cello and piano when she was a teenager and would offer beginner or coaching lessons to younger children. Since then she has acquired a performance degree in cello (Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama), ABRSM Dip (strings teaching), QTS (Qualified Teacher Status), Certificate in Dalcroze Eurhythmics, and a Masters in Psychology of Music in Performance, Education, and Wellbeing (University of Sheffield).

Her professional teaching career has spanned nearly 20 years, and has included working in state schools in the UK, and working with young children through to Key Stage 3 in British international schools in Europe and South East Asia. Studying Dalcroze eurhythmics has shaped Asta's teaching philosophy into one which is a holistic approach with a focus on developing not only instrumental skills, but also improvising, critical thinking, creativity, and embodiment of music. She is also qualified in delivering the Drumbeatable programme which uses percussion to support the wellbeing and social as well as musical development of all participants and is particularly beneficial for children with Social Emotional Mental Health requirements.

Asta believes that everyone has innate musical ability and enjoys facilitating their personal journey through experiential learning and personalised programmes.