

Cornwall Youth Choir



IDEA Statement

Inclusion

We believe that all of the children and young people of Cornwall, regardless of their background; including those from low socio-economic circumstances or with a Special Educational Need or Disability should have the opportunity to be part of Cornwall Youth Choir and that any barriers to their participation need to be fully understood and eradicated by our proactive and flexible approaches to ensuring universal participation. Through the positive relationships fostered between our Choir Leaders and the children and young people each choir member's unique needs are understood and the Choir Leaders skillfully adapt their pedagogy to enable full engagement allowing all of our children and young people to thrive musically and personally.

Diversity

We believe that a diverse choir is a strong and vibrant choir and we welcome and celebrate children and young people from all cultural, economic and academic backgrounds. Through showcasing the choir in as many varied venues as possible we aim to raise our profile and display our unique choir family, as a means to enticing others to join so that the choir can continue to grow its richness and in order for us to be a beacon of diversity, leading the way in our unique Cornish setting.

Equity

We believe that we need to proactively seek out those children and young people facing barriers. Barriers of distance, income and individual need cannot determine any child or young person's ability to access the exceptional musical opportunities offered by the choir, it's careful nurturing of talent and the amazing opportunities for progression that it embodies. We have high aspirations for each and every one of the children and young people involved in the choir and recognise the crucial part we can play in the advancement of their musical careers.

Access

We believe that no child or young person should be disadvantaged in terms of accessing the choir offer, in terms of physical access to rehearsal and performance venues, any adaptations needed to support their emotional health and well being and also in terms of any specific learning difficulties, for example dyslexia which may impact on their reading ability. As a choir we pride ourselves on the opportunities that we have already provided for children with these sort of difficulties, and in our mission to unlock the musical potential of all the children and young people of Cornwall we will continue to strive to ensure that we promote and enable access for all.

