

# How Rhythm Stick Drumming has integrated the Artmark seven Quality Principles into our offer



# Striving for excellence and innovation

At the heart of our work is our love for enabling children to make music together. That's what makes us tick. With 19 years of experience our director has developed a teaching style that is energetic yet compassionate, allowing participants to really develop their skills.

#### Being authentic

Real instruments, real music, real culture. Our sessions are designed to excite and motivate both children and teachers. All children creating music as a team. This is the real thing.

#### Being exciting, inspiring and engaging

Although the sessions are suitable for those who already play a musical instrument they are of particular benefit to those who don't or never thought they could. Showing children that they too can play in a band and fostering a love of playing music through being fully engaged in the process.

#### Ensuring a positive and inclusive experience

If you can hold a drum stick then you can make music in our workshops where all participants are shown how to make a beautifully loud noise with an "I can" attitude.

#### Actively involving children and young people

After a brief introduction it's straight on to warming up and making music together. All participants get to play three different Samba percussion instruments and within an hour they are playing a powerful groove together.

## **Enabling personal progression**

Group drumming is known to boost confidence and self esteem. This provides a foundation for further exploration of each child's musical performance and creativity. Our CPD sessions leave teachers with ideas for the next stage in their class learning.

## **Developing belonging and ownership**

The classes are accessible to all and we provide a safe space where each feels as though they belong. Children can very quickly learn how to play in a big band and they come away with a real sense of achievement. Each child can be heard and has takes on the responsibility of trying their best to help the team sound.

