OCM Education and Outreach
Project Journey Log

Discovering Music and Sound
in partnership with Bayards Hill Primary School
Since the success of our recent Canal Sounds Project OCM have been keen to continue to include Arts Award as part of its delivery in education workshops with children and young people.

We wanted to develop a model where young people could discover and explore both music and sound art in a way that is fun, accessible and connects to the interests of the students involved.

Using Arts Award Discover we developed a project that would allow young people from different year groups to explore and discover music making and experimental sound in new and unique ways.

This learning log is a story of that Journey.
During the first half of the summer term OCM piloted our new Arts Award Discover Programme with Bayard’s Hill Primary school.

One of our main outcomes for this piece of work was to create a framework for our Arts Award offer to schools in the area.

We wanted our framework to be developed in a way that allows our offer to remain bespoke so that any schools seeking to engage with us can have an offer that is relevant to them and their pupils.
The project we developed worked with four Music and Sound Artists and each week the students would be visited by a new practitioner that would take them on their Arts Award Discover adventure.

- **Session 1** – Beat boxing with Faz Shaar
- **Session 2** – Spoons with Jo May
- **Session 3** – African Drumming with Hannah Rhodes
- **Session 4** – Sound tracking for films with Kelly Smith
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‘I loved adding noises to a movie.’

‘I taught the spoons session to my mum.’

‘I thought you could do music with just instrument but I have learnt you can use objects.’

‘I taught my brothers the things I did.’

‘The project changed the way I think about music because I didn’t realise how tricky it would be.’

‘it changed my mind because I used to think music wasn’t interesting but it is!’

‘I learnt beat boxing and spoons which were both new.’

‘I wouldn’t change it, I loved it how it is.’

‘I enjoyed getting to do the fun activities like beat boxing.’
• X4 Artists

• X8 project sessions

• X29 participants

• X29 students achieved an Arts Award

• X1 promotional Video
This project has enabled OCM to develop a new model of working for delivery of our Arts Award programme.

This new approach will enable us to:
1. Deliver Arts Award in a cost and tie effective way but still maintain a high quality in our delivery of education experiences.
2. Effectively partner with other arts organisations on joint Arts Award projects.
3. Build bespoke workshops for school and other youth settings so we can make our Arts Award offer relevant and inline with the interests of the participants we engage with.

So what’s next?

More Arts Award Projects in Oxfordshire!