

Music development plan summary: Bishop Martin Church of England Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/26
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Danielle Maley
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Miss Rebecca Bond
Name of local music hub	Lancashire Music Hub

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, co-curricular provision and musical experiences – and what changes we are planning in future years. This information is to help pupils and parents or carers understand what our school offers and who we work with to support our pupils' music education.

Part A: Curriculum music

This is about what we teach in lesson time, how much time is spent teaching music and any music qualifications or awards that pupils can achieve.

At Bishop Martin CE Primary School, we have timetabled Music lessons in all year groups from Nursery to Year Six. We use the KAPOW Music scheme to support the planning and teaching of Music across the whole school, which is aligned by the National Curriculum for Music. Children complete four units in Music from Reception to Year Six, and three units in Nursery across each academic year. Music lessons are forty-five minutes and are taught by our class teachers, with TA support to support SEND children to support our inclusive approach within the lessons. At Bishop Martin we use KAPOW to support the planning and teaching of Music across the whole school, the children follow a progressive and consistent curriculum leaning about notation and how to play musical instruments, such as the glockenspiel and recorder. Additionally, children have the opportunity to sing in various assemblies and worships across the week and are given the opportunity to perform to parents throughout the academic year.

Part B: Co-curricular music

This is about opportunities for pupils to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands, and how pupils can make progress in music beyond the core curriculum.

At Bishop Martin Church of England Primary School, we offer opportunities for the children to explore Music beyond the core curriculum. Children have been given the opportunity to attend extra-curricular clubs where they have explored a variety of instruments, for example, ukulele. Children in Y6 have recently formed a choir who have been asked to perform in the Leavers Service at Liverpool Cathedral in the summer term. Children in KS2 are given the opportunity to enjoy and appreciate music, as well as explore how to interpret different music styles through dance clubs across the year. We have a wide variety of instruments stored for children to access, for example, piano, ukulele, glockenspiel, recorders and a larger selection of percussion instruments.

Part C: Musical experiences

This is about all the other musical events and opportunities that we organise, such as singing in assembly, concerts and shows, and trips to professional concerts.

Children will have the opportunity to perform or experience high quality music this academic year. Please see below for a list of those opportunities:

- Harvest Service
- Year 6 Christmas carols at a local residential home
- EYFS children performing their Christmas nativity
- KS1 and KS2 children performing in a Christmas carol concert
- Easter Service
- Year 6 children attend Leavers Service at Liverpool Cathedral
- Year 6 end of year performance
- End of year celebration service

In the future

This is about what the school is planning for subsequent years.

In future years, our Music Development Plan aims to achieve the following:

- Introduce the children to a wider range of instruments on offer
- Further develop engagement in extra-curricular music for all children
- Provide teaching staff with appropriate CPD where required