# Music development plan summary: Eastfield Primary Academy 2025-2026

#### Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 - 2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Zina Lewis
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	The Music Hub for the Humber Region.
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Across the school from Reception to Year 6, children receive weekly music lessons that are between 45 - 60 minutes.

Eastfield Primary Academy follows Kapow's scheme of work with a spiral approach to musical learning. Within each unit of learning, children will revisit existing knowledge and skills and then build upon and extend them incrementally. We teach children the disciplined skills of recognising pulse, rhythm, and pitch. Our teaching focuses on developing the children's ability to sing in tune, and with other people. Through our musical experiences and singing, children will learn about the structure and organisation of music. Kapow includes many examples of music styles and genres for children to listen to and appreciate from different times and places. These are explored through the language of music via active listening, improvising, performing and composing activities. At Eastfield, children

access a range of whole class, group, and individual activities, enabling them to explore sounds, listen actively, compose and perform to an audience. Each lesson of Kapow is taught within 3 main sections; first, is the 'attention grabber, followed by the 'main event' and ending with 'wrapping up'. children begin with an attention grabber, which can allow children to revisit previous knowledge and skills through listening and appreciating activities. Children then move onto the 'main event', which children learn to sing, play or compose music. The lesson is ended with 'wrapping up', where children will share what has taken place during the lesson and work towards a performance to an audience.

Children in Reception, Key Stage 1 and Year 3 learn to develop their singing voices, play percussion instruments and learn to play the glockenspiel. Additionally, Year 3 learn to play the Taiko drums for one half term within the academic year.

Year 4,5 & 6 will have the opportunity to learn to play the violin through whole class ensemble teaching. Year 4 have weekly music lessons taught by a music specialist, where they have the opportunity to develop as a musician and learn to play the violin. This academic year, Year 5 and 6 will have one half term when their weekly music lessons are taught by a music specialist, learning to play the violin. The remaining 5 half terms of Year 5 and Year 6 music lessons will be delivered following the condensed Kapow music curriculum. Year 5 & 6 will have the opportunity to access small group lessons from January 2026.

Children from Reception to Year 6 take part in a fortnightly singing assembly.

Children from Reception to Year 6 have the opportunity to perform, sing or play to a larger audience or whole school via concerts or class assemblies. This encourages children to develop as musicians and showcase their learning.

Ensuring we have an inclusive music curriculum is essential, the rationale for music (on the school website, curriculum, music, music rationale 2025-2026) clearly states how children with a range of additional needs can be supported to access the music curriculum.

The music lead works with The Music Hub for the Humber Region to keep up to date with changes and to ensure the music curriculum at Eastfield Primary Academy meets the needs of the children and the outcomes for the National Curriculum. The music lead will engage with musical opportunities provided by The Music Hub for the Humber Region. This enables the music lead to keep up to date with changes within the music curriculum and receive support from The Music Hub if needed. These musical opportunities will enable networking with other music leads to share ideas and events that could further enhance the music curriculum.

Eastfield Primary Academy continues to hold the school, Music Mark.

### **Extra-curricular music**

Small group tuition is available to children in Years 1-6 to play as part of a rock and pop band. Children can choose to play the electric guitar, bass, drums, keyboard or to sing. These sessions are delivered by music specialists with Rocksteady on a weekly basis in the Studio. In these lessons the children's progress is closely monitored and regularly

reported on, as these children work towards Rocksteady's music qualifications in partnership with Trinity College London. These lessons are paid for by parents/carers.

Small group violin tuition will be offered to Year 5 & 6 children following a unit of learning to play the instrument. These lessons will be paid for by parents/carers from January 2026.

All children from reception to Year 6 have the opportunity to be part of the school choir, delivered weekly for 2 full terms across the academic year. The choir is delivered by the music lead weekly at a lunchtime, free for all children to attend.

All children from Year 2-4 have the opportunity to play their part in a Samba band playing a range of instruments, delivered weekly over the course of a half term. Children are encouraged to attend regular and with parental support, children apply for a Blue Peter Music Badge.

During lunchtimes through 'Opal' play, children can access a range of music-making instruments and objects in a dedicated music station, encouraging children to rehearse favourite pieces of music or practice musical skills.

Taiko drumming lessons are delivered weekly in the community free for all children to access, which are promoted to parents/carers.

## **Musical performances**

In this academic year, each year group from nursery to Year 6 will have the opportunity across the year to perform to a larger audience. Every child will perform to the school through musical events such as Harvest Festival assembly, Christmas concerts, Choir performances, Easter performance, Year 6 Leavers performance and Early Years Singing Picnic. Year 3 & 4 will also deliver their Harvest Festival performance to parents and the community at St Andrew's Church. Early Years will perform their Christmas concert in school to parents/carers. Year 1 & 2 will perform an Easter sing-a-long to parents/carers within school. Year 6 Leavers assembly will be performed to parents in school. Parents will be invited to attend the Early Years Singing Picnic where children will perform songs learnt and share a picnic.

The school choir will be singing a range of Christmas songs to members of the local community and residents in the local care home.

Parents of the Rocksteady band musicians are invited into school at the end of each full term to watch their children play on the stage, in their band. The Rocksteady band concerts are also performed to the whole school.

All performances are free to all spectators.

Children from Year 1 to Year 6 access fortnightly singing assemblies, with reception joining these assemblies from the Summer Term.

Eastfield Primary Academy have signed up to the opportunity to engage with a singing and performing project from The Music Hub called, 'The Playground Proms'.

#### In the future

Across the next academic year and subsequent years, Eastfield Primary Academy will be developing their school choir that will be accessible to children from Reception to Year 6. The ambition is for this choir to make increasing appearances within the local community, for example, in different care homes.

The music lead and Year 5 teacher will be engaging with the music hub and the Royal Opera and Ballet training team. We will attend CPD training to be able to deliver a unit of work planned by the Royal Opera and Ballet. From this training and engagement, The Music hub are hoping to provide school with an opportunity to be part of a Create, Explore and Sing project.

The music lead will also be striving to make links with other education settings to explore what musical opportunities there could be, to inspire and develop our musicians at Eastfield Primary Academy.

Eastfield Primary Academy teachers will share information with families of those children in Year 5 & 6 who are accessing the small group violin tuition, regarding opportunities to be part of string ensembles in the local community. These are free of charge for the children to access.

The music lead will continue to work with Rocksteady to provide free taster lessons for children in reception at the end of the Summer term to encourage growth in the 'Rock bands.'

Explore the opportunity for the school choir to perform to the school community and families towards the end of the Summer Term.

To engage in communication with Reverend Julie from St Andrew's church, Immingham to place a bid to invite I Sing Pop back to Eastfield Primary Academy and other primary schools in Immingham.

To develop a team of children to ensure there is consistent music playing within the communal area in the centre of school for the school community and visitors to appreciate.

## **Further information (optional)**

Rocksteady Music Lesson website link: Rocksteady Music School – Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons for primary school children | Rocksteady Music School

Taiko Drumming information and available sessions in the local community: <u>Taiko</u> <u>Community - Humber Taiko</u>

North East Lincs Music Hub – ensemble opportunities - Join A Group | NEL Music Hub