

Goring C of E Primary School Music Development Plan

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-27
Date this summary was published	Autumn 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	Summer 2027
Name of the school music coordinator	Miss N Leach
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mr R Ireland/Mrs F Whittaker
Name of local music hub	West Sussex Music

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.

To read in more detail about the provision of music at Goring C of E Primary School, please visit our music curriculum page:

<https://goringprimary.org/curriculum/our-curriculum/music>

Music is taught in every class each week. These sessions are timetabled with classes able to access our music studio for these lessons. This setting allows for more space and this supports collaborative work with instruments.

Musical units are separated into half termly blocks, using the music scheme KAPOW. When using the scheme and its progressive week-by-week lessons, we are guaranteeing to be meeting all the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum and progress is evident through observations, individual children's folders, pupil voice and our progression documents. Although children in Year 3 access music lessons structured by KAPOW, their version of this is condensed due

to whole class instrumental lessons in ukulele. Ukulele sessions are led by a West Sussex Music Associate tutor – Chris Eaton.

The length of our music lessons progresses from approximately 25-35 minutes in EYFS & KS1 up to one hour in KS2. Our music appreciation ensures a variety of music and genres are listened to and discussed. Teachers are confident with musical elements and teaching children how to listen and appreciate a piece of music.

Key vocabulary is shared and celebrated with definitions from the inter-related dimensions of music available to provide a point of reference during music lessons.

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 Goring C of E Primary, we are fortunate to have many opportunities for the children to develop their music skills. We have daily acts of worship, which each provide children with the opportunity to sing together. Our weekly Songs of Worship time is when specific songs are practised and singing technique taught and consolidated and the children take part with confidence and enthusiasm.

All our Year 3 pupils take part in whole class ukulele sessions, showcasing their learning to the wider school community twice a year. We have an extensive range of music tuition available via West Sussex Music tutors, Rockademy and Rocksteady with many children accessing these before, during and after school. The range of instruments being learnt include; Keyboards, Recorder, Guitars, Ukuleles, Clarinets, Saxophone, Tenor Horns, and Trumpets. These are offered to children in Year 1 to Year 6. Individual and small group lessons are funded by parents, however for those children who are in receipt of the Pupil Premium grant, these lessons can be funded in liaison with our Pupil Premium Lead.

We regularly take part in wider community events, such as Young Voices, Diocesan Christmas Services and performances in local care homes.

Throughout the year our children enjoy taking part in musical nativities, Christmas carol concerts, Harvest festivals, Easter services, musical performances and assemblies which are performed to parents and peers.

Our EYFS & KS1 children lead Nativity performances, and KS2 share carols with the school community during our Christmas carol service and through the visiting of local care homes.

Children in Year 4 and 6 taking leading roles in two different musical productions each year, with children in Year 3 and Year 5 supporting as a choir.

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 below:

- All children participate in weekly Songs of Worship assemblies, Collective Worship assemblies and Values award assemblies.
- Year 5 trip to see the Lion King in London.
- The Last Post played by a member of the school community at our Remembrance assembly.
- Rocksteady Christmas concerts – providing the children with the enrichment opportunity of performing to parents and peers as part of a formal concert.
- Children learning brass instruments will also showcase their learning in Christmas, Easter and end of year performances to all year groups.
- Friday Ukulele club will perform regularly at key points in the year.
- Year 3 children will perform Ukulele concerts to show their progression and newly learnt skills from their weekly lessons with our associate tutor Chris Eaton.
- Year 4 and Year 6 children will rehearse weekly in Spring and Summer Terms to perform their chosen year group production in the local church hall to all year groups and parents/carers.
- All children from Early Years to Year 6 will perform in Christmas nativities and carol concerts.
- The choir will perform at Arundel Cathedral in December 2026.

- The KS2 choir will visit Homesearle house in December 2026
- Year 2 and Year 4 children will take part in local schools Little/Big Sing opportunity.
- An end of year 'Talent Show' concert is being considered for the end of the Summer Term 2027, where the school community will be invited to showcase and celebrate the arts. This can range from instrument playing, to gymnastics, dance, poetry reciting and beyond.

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:

To develop an EYFS/KS1 choir in the Summer Term

Make contact with local orchestras/form links with local high schools to invite them to perform orchestral concerts to our children, in order to expose them to a range of instruments, which would provide inspiration for them to learn

Plan a 'Carols by Candlelight' concert for all year groups to perform in (either outside on the playground around a Christmas tree/in school hall). Links to PSA to potentially provide mulled wine and mince pies for parents

Plan a 'Goring has Talent' show which will be open to all children to audition for, to provide an evening showcase of a range of arts – gymnastics, dance, poetry performances, instrument playing, singing, ballet, tap and more