Manor Park Primary School

Manor Park Primary - Music Development Plan Summary:

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-27
Date this summary was published	Nov 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	Sept 2027
Name of the school music lead	Chris Ridgewell
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Kate Kavanagh-Byrne
Name of local music hub	Heart of England Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Top of the Rock Coventry Music

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas:

- **curriculum music**
- **extra-curricular provision**
- **musical experiences**

The summary also includes 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 a full breakdown of what is taught in music at Manor Park Primary see the Music Curriculum Map

- **EYFS** – music is interwoven into whole day routine through songs for tidying up, activities, nursery rhymes, stories, soundscapes
- **Year 1 - 3** – Following a combination of the Charanga original & creative scheme which focuses on listening, finding the pulse, singing, following basic scores and graphics/images, using tuned (glockenspiels) and untuned (djembes, varied percussion) classroom instruments (Y1/2 - 40 mins per week / Y3 – 1 hour per fortnight)
- **Year 4** – Following the Charanga schemes for warm-ups, games, listening activities and songs. (1 hour per fortnight)
- **Year 4** – Additional input from specialist music tutor from Top of the Rock using ukelele & bucket drumming through whole class instrument teaching, covering all the interrelated dimensions of music. (1 hour per week for 8 week block)
- **Year 5 - 6** – Following the Charanga schemes for warm-ups, games, listening activities and songs with additional use of music technologies, covering all the interrelated dimensions of music. (1 hour per fortnight)

Part B: Extra-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.

- KS2 Manor Park Choir – Lunchtime – Delivered by Coventry Music practitioner
- Young Voices Trip – choir members
- Stagecoach Theatre – singing/acting/performing – Manor Park University
- Guitar, keyboard and drum individual music lessons with Top of the Rock tutors (subsidised for Pupil Premium children)
- End of Year 6 show
- EYFS Nativity performances
- Regular singing assemblies
- Class assemblies Year 1 – 6 - singing
- Manor Park Music Showcases – Christmas and End of Year

- Signposting pupils to music activities outside the school day including those in partnership with Coventry Music.

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.

Musical Events:

- Taking part in Coventry Music multi-school singing events for KS1 and KS2 – free
- Manor Park Choir attending and taking part in Young Voices performance at Birmingham BP live arena
- Attend live music concerts by Coventry Music
- Pantomime school visit
- Live performances from the Top of the Rock in school
- Opportunity for singing at local community events/venues – Manor Park Choir
- Termly Manor Park University Showcases – for siblings of performers

In the future

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

- Extending our curriculum provision to 1 hour per week for all year groups from fortnightly
- Full transition over to Charanga's Creative Music Scheme from Original Scheme
- Exploring additional instruments for whole class instrument teaching
- Increasing numbers of individual music lessons and adding additional instruments like woodwind, strings and brass
- Look at additional options to give progression opportunities from whole class ie: ukulele to guitar or ukelele ensemble follow up
- Exploring additional instrumental ensemble opportunities

Further information

Useful Links

Manor Park Music Curriculum Map

National Curriculum for Music – KS1 and 2

Manor Park Website - Music Curriculum Overview

Music Services

The Department for Education's guide for parents and young people on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.

Top of the Rock provides lessons and opportunities to students both in and out of school.

Coventry Music Hub provides lessons and opportunities to Coventry Students both in and out of school.

Heart of England Music provides lessons, music groups, music centres and events across the Warwickshire and Coventry area.