

Music development plan summary: Revoe Learning Academy

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Cat Bond
Name of local music hub	Blackpool Music Service

Part A: Curriculum music

Our Sea View Trust Progression Document has been planned using the Model Music Curriculum. This document has been the spine for our personalised Revoe Music Curriculum ensuring all objectives are divided and taught in relevant year groups. This document is available under the 'Music' tab of our website.

We have devised our own music curriculum which incorporates Charanga to support and resource our music lessons; however, we do not limit ourselves to Charanga and our Music Lead teacher provides children with a bank of resources to ensure a broad and balanced music education is delivered. Within these lessons, children play a range of instruments and experience a variety of genres.

One hour Music lessons are delivered in class or through Blackpool Music Service music lessons each week. Our four threshold concepts (listening, composing, transcribing and performing) are provided as visual buttons so children can develop schema and make links to music in all areas of learning. Year 4 experience weekly brass lessons, where they are given the opportunity to learn the cornet by reading music. Parents attend brass performances, where our students can showcase their skills.

We provide a range of opportunities for all our learners. We have a high percentage of children on Pupil Premium and these children have access to music lessons, if they wish, via the service. We have planned our curriculum around our children's needs and ensure that every year group is given the opportunity to play tuned and untuned instruments throughout the year. We have created a bank of resources, to ensure more-able students are stimulated and challenged in music lessons.

Part B: Co-curricular music

Throughout the school day, children are given countless opportunities to perform vocally and instrumentally throughout the year. A choir is now being established where they will meet once a week to rehearse for events throughout the year. The choir will continue to develop over the year, gaining more members and knowledge of eclectic pieces. Choir is open to all children in Year 2 and above. Due to our relationship with Blackpool Music Service, children will have the opportunity to perform in a variety of venues across Blackpool, allowing our students to progress beyond the core curriculum. The choir will also be taking part in wider events like Young Voices which we have done in previous years. This will be held at the MEN arena in Manchester. Please see our website for photographs of our performances.

Fortunately, we have a designated music room with our premises that allows classes and clubs to practice and rehearse for performances and during lessons. This allows our students to focus in a purposeful and well-resourced environment. This is also an area for children to visit when in need of some time to regulate as there are sensory lights and calming music which creates a calm relaxed atmosphere.

Part C: Musical experiences

Over the next year, we aim to continue to develop the musical experiences for our learners.

At the end of every half-term, a class will perform an instrumental or vocal piece to the rest of the school, showcasing what they have learnt in their music lessons. Again, this may focus on genre or a specific skill. Year 6 will perform a performance during the summer term.

When Christmas comes, EYFS will learn and perform a nativity to the whole school and parents and carers whilst Key Stage One and Two will learn and perform a Christmas performance where they will showcase this to their families. All of school will take part in a Christmas carol service in our school hall, where they will learn and perform traditional Christmas carols. The whole school will also be able to experience a live show, where they will watch a pantomime either in school or at the Grand Theatre.

Over the upcoming year, our choir will perform in a termly performance outside of school. We work closely with Blackpool Music Service and enjoy performing in their annual Christmas Festival, School's Alive and Choir of the Year events. Our Year 4 students are often presented with a range of opportunities with the service and have experience performing and playing with the National Youth Orchestra, inspiring and enriching our children with Cultural Capital.

All children are able to get involved in these performances and opportunities and we strive to make many of the events free or low cost for our families.

At the end of the school year, the school comes together to perform 'Revoe's Got Talent'. This is an opportunity for children to show off the unique talents to the rest of the school and their families. They will then perform in front of our selected judges where the judges will choose an overall winner. This is a fantastic evening for all our children and families, and an evening full of talent.

In the future

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

We strive to maintain relationships with the community and wish to continue to work with Blackpool Music Service. We want to continue with the timetabled whole class lessons as well as developing an after school ensemble opportunity with a specialist. We hope to perform in many events across Blackpool.

We aim to develop the status of music within school by holding an annual 'World Music Day' celebration, where the school will come off timetable to celebrate all things music. This has been done in previous years and shows to be a great success.

Our personalised and robust curriculum is continuing to be refined and adapted to ensure our students are hitting their potential in their music lessons. In the subsequent years, we will continue to monitor the new curriculum via pupil voice, video evidence and lesson walkthroughs to ensure music is being delivered at a high standard and to identify and address any areas for improvement in the future.

Further information (optional)

Please see 'Music' on our website for more documentation regarding music at Revoe Learning Academy.