



St. Aidan's Church of England Primary Academy
'I came that they may have life and live it to the full' John 10.10



Music Development Plan Summary

Music should be embedded in every primary school. Singing should be the golden thread through these years, with a clear commitment to quality teaching and opportunities for progression for all children from the start of their school education. (The national Plan for Music Education 2023)


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Music Lead/s:	Mrs Harrison
Music Provision Partner:	Junior Jam

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.

Curriculum Music

Our weekly curriculum music lessons, provided by Junior Jam, are designed to provide pupils with a broad range of musical experiences within lesson time for key stage one and key stage two. Our EYFS curriculum is structured differently to the national curriculum as it is organised across seven areas of learning rather than subject areas and the skills taught across EYFS feed into national curriculum subjects. Statements from the 2020 Development Matters are prerequisite skills for music within the national curriculum. We are also mindful of the Modern Music Curriculum Progression of Skills (2021)

Our music provision is designed to inspire all pupils, regardless of their abilities and to foster a love of music, increasing their self confidence, creativity and sense of achievement. Every year pupils will study three core subjects: Music Theory with Keyboards, Songwriting with Glockenspiels and Singing, which are delivered across three half terms throughout the year. The remaining three



half terms within an academic year will be instrument-focused, whole-class tuition in order to ensure pupils have the opportunity to perform on a variety of tuned and untuned instruments from a wide range of different cultures.

Junior Jam's lesson plans have been devised in line with both the National Curriculum and Model Music Guidance Non-Statutory Guidance (2021). Through these lessons, pupils will access a broad range of music-making experiences and will gain the skills to develop a lifelong passion for music. Our musical experiences and delivery give our children a knowledge of multicultural, world music and performance opportunities through worship, festivals and important celebrations. Children's progress is assessed, monitored and reported on in accordance with the curriculum.

Listening is at the heart of our musical culture and children are encouraged to give their views on a variety of musical extracts. We also make relevant adaptations to whole class delivery in order to accommodate SEN and ensure inclusivity.

Our music matrix and progression of skills can be found on our website: <https://staidansblackburn.co.uk/classes-curriculum/curriculum-overview/music>



Co-Curricular Music

Our music offer extends to many clubs and experiences outside the Music curriculum. We provide many opportunities for the children to perform both at school, within the community and beyond.

- Choir
- Local musicians
- World Music workshops
- Local authority events

Musical Experiences

Our high quality music education engages pupils to develop a love of music which allows them to listen, compose and take part in musical experiences throughout their school lives.

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- Prayer and Praise (whole school singing together)
 - Festivals of Worship
 - Blackburn Cathedral Carol Service
 - Talent shows 'St. Aidan's got talent'
 - Lets Go Sing
 - School productions eg. Christmas, Leavers' production, Year 6 Leavers' service, Graduations etc

In the Future

Junior Jam provides a progressive curriculum, meaning that pupils will further their skills on the instruments they play in future years. Their curriculum is monitored and developed yearly, in accordance with all guidance published. We intend to develop new subject leaders within school. We also intend to provide network and training provided by the local authority and our Multi Academy Trust. We continually reflect and review our music provision and delivery throughout school. We are also aware of the importance of identifying and signposting children who demonstrate musical ability.

Further Information

Further information and relevant links can be found on our website:

<https://staidansblackburn.co.uk/classes-curriculum/curriculum-overview/music>