

Music development plan summary: St Matthew's C of E Primary Academy

All schools should have a music development plan from academic year 2023-24. Schools are expected to publish a summary of their plan on their website from academic year 2024-25.

This template is designed to support schools to produce the summary. It should set out how the school will deliver high-quality music provision in curriculum music, co-curricular music and musical experiences, taking into account the key features in the [national plan for music education](#):

- timetabled curriculum music of at least one hour each week of the school year for key stages 1 to 3
- access to lessons across a range of instruments, and voice
- a school choir or vocal ensemble
- a school ensemble, band or group
- space for rehearsals and individual practice
- a termly school performance
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year

The summary should reflect your school's music provision for the given school year and your plans for subsequent years. It should also refer to any existing partnership with your local music hub or other music education organisations that supports the school with music provision.

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Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
Date this summary was published	Nov 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Rachel Walton
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mark Mackley
Name of local music hub	Lancashire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Junior Jam (Tutor company who provide our music education)

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.

Our music curriculum is published online and can be found at

<https://www.st-matthewscofe.lancs.sch.uk/key-information/curriculum/music>

In order to ensure our children get the best possible opportunity to learn about music in a meaningful way, we have employed the tuition company "Junior Jam" to deliver their music curriculum. They have a clear curriculum outline which can be seen on the web page mentioned above and are able to provide access to instruments and experiences which we would struggle to otherwise provide.

The children do not have the opportunity to learn a specific instrument but they do have the opportunity as outlined above to experience a range of different instruments.

Children have opportunities to sing during these lessons and also during whole school collective worship where the school community joins together in singing a range of songs in a range of musical styles.

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.

Our children are able to experience singing as part of School Collective Worship times. At the current time, we are unable to provide further experiences.

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 have a range of opportunities to perform.

All Nursery, Reception and KS1 Infant children have the opportunity to perform in Nativities each year.

Year 6 children produce an end of year production which always includes songs and dances.

We perform a whole school Harvest and Easter worship which involves songs learned specifically for these events. We also undertake special worship times at specific times of year (Remembrance, Christmas, end of year) where children have the opportunity to sing songs learnt specifically for these times.

In the future

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

We hope to introduce an Easter performance for Years 3 and 4 so every year group has the opportunity to perform each academic year.

We are hoping to re-establish a school choir, focus on the enjoyment of singing with the possibility of performances.

Further information (optional)