

# Music Development Plan



## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Rebecca Websdell
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Alison Dodd
Name of local music hub	Lancashire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	More Music Young Voices (Biannually)

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.**

- At St Peter's C of E Primary school we teach the National Curriculum for Music using Sparkyard scheme of learning. Other music resources are also used to enhance the learning experiences of all of our children at school. The school music curriculum is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021), non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stage 1 – 2.
- Music is introduced in the Early Years (Reception) as part of daily activities both inside and outside the curriculum. There are lots of opportunities for singing and making music using a wide range of instruments and environmental objects.
- All classes from Y1 – Year 6 have a weekly music lesson which give the children the opportunity for skills to be learned and developed.
- All children from Y1 – Y6 take part in a weekly singing worship (assembly) where they learn new songs and perform together.
- In year 3 children have two terms of music tuition to learn the Ukulele (commissioned to Lancashire Music Service LMS).
- We provide additional music workshops and utilise specialist input from More Music Morecambe.
- We use Musician of the Month in a monthly worship to widen the children's knowledge and understanding of different musicians, genres and be able to appreciate music.

Within our curriculum we aim to ensure that all children:

- Have a wide range of opportunities to listen to, review, evaluate and perform music.
- Listen, appraise and evaluate music from a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions; including the works of great composers and musicians.
- Learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others.
- Have opportunities to learn a musical instrument.
- Have opportunities to use technology as part of music making.
- Understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the interrelated dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

## 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.**

Pupils in KS2 (Year 3- 6) can access 1:1 or small group instrumental lessons on:

- Guitar
- Ukulele

These are taught by external music tutors. These extra-curricular lessons are chargeable in line with the school's Charging and Remission policy. Where a child may show an interest in learning and instruments however is reluctant due to financial reasons. The school will support where possible. Each case would be taken on its own merits.

### **Choir / Ensembles**

Children in Y3 – Y6 are able to join our flexible singing group, which meet weekly to enjoy songs and sing together.

The school formulates more structured singing groups in Y2 and in KS2 to take part in local singing events.

Children in Y4-6 are able to join the Young Voice's Singing Group. (This is carried out on a biannual basis.) The group performs at a range of singing events.

## **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.**

### **Singing in school**

Singing is a big part of our school. We sing in our whole school worship and throughout the week.

### **School concerts and shows**

All children will take part in a class led worship once per year. During the worship they will sing and may perform.

EYFS – take part in a Nativity

Y1/2 – perform a Nativity

Y3,4,5,6 perform Carols by Candlelight

Y6 perform in church at Christmas and also take part in a Summer Musical.

All children are included and encouraged to take a full and active part in rehearsals and productions.

## Trips

**Choir** – children are able to take part in Young Voices (biannually) in Manchester. This allows them to experience live music on a grand scale. (Y4-6)

**All children** – go to The Duke’s theatre on an annual basis to see the Christmas production.

**More Music** – Workshops take place in line with the curriculum.

## **In the future**

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

As we progress into the future, we would like to develop the following areas of our music curriculum and offer.

- Further development of choir and singing within the community. (Church / Care Homes etc.)
- Music Celebration Days
- Increasing the number of children learning to play musical instruments.

## **Further information**

The Department for Education publishes a [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.

The Lancashire Music Hub website contains lots of information on music making opportunities across the area along with the development plan:

<https://www.lancashiremusic hub.co.uk/site/>