

Music development plan summary: [St. Peter's Catholic High School]

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	September 2024 - August 2025
Date this summary was published	19/03/25
Date this summary will be reviewed	07/2025
Name of the school music lead	D Costello
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N Ashton
Name of local music hub	Wigan Council
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Wigan ITP

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.

Curriculum music lessons throughout the year:

KS3

Year 7 - 1 x 100 minute lesson per fortnight

Year 8 – 1 x 50 minute lesson per week

Year 9 – 1 x 50 minute lesson per week

KS4

Year 10 GCSE – 3 x 100 minute lesson per fortnight

Year 11 GCSE – 3 x 100 minute lesson per fortnight

Opportunities for Performance KS3

Year 7 – Keyboard skills I, singing, Stomp

Year 8 – Keyboard skills II, singing, Ukulele, Samba

Year 9 – Keyboard skills III (Blues), Karaoke, Protest Songs

Opportunities for composition KS3

Year 7 – Dance Music (Macs), Zoo Project (Programme Music), Stomp, Musescore

Year 8 – Programme Music, Ukulele, Samba

Year 9 – Film Music, Blues Music (Improvisation), Musescore, Protest Songs

Qualifications

- Eduqas GCSE Music (KS4)

- Graded exams through instrumental tuition provided by Wigan Instrumental Tuition Provider including Piano, Guitar, Voice, Drums, Woodwind etc.

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.

Individual tuition (Provided by Wigan Instrumental Tuition Providers)

The school offers weekly lessons in the following instruments:

- Drums
- Guitar/Ukulele/Bass Guitar
- Voice
- Woodwind
- Brass
- Strings
- Cello
- Piano/Keyboard
- DJing (Dependent on numbers)

These lessons take place during the school day and we currently offer:

20-minute lessons = £13.00 (£130 for the 10-lesson block)

30-minute lessons = £19.50 (£195 for the 10-lesson block)

Ensembles & Extra-Curricular

- School Choir – Open to all year groups
- Liturgy Choir & Band – Open to all year groups
- Production Band (where appropriate)
- Karaoke Friday – Friday lunchtime Club
- Music Society Presents... - Fortnightly performance (Monday lunchtime)
- Two bookable rehearsal spaces and a recording studio.

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.

Year 7 & 8-11 Welcome Mass

The Liturgy musicians and choir perform the hymns for the Welcome Mass for all year groups starting with Year 7 on their first day, followed by Years 8-11.

School Production

Casting takes place in May and rehearsals run up to the performances in October before half-term. Rehearsals run in an evening and occasionally on weekends. Pupils can be involved with technical or performance roles.

Previous shows include: Chicago, Grease, Legally Blonde, Little Shop of Horrors.

Music Performance Evening

The first of two takes place in October/November. GCSE pupils, Pupils taking tuition plus a number of KS3 take part in a performance evening. Tickets available to parents, carers, friends and family.

Year 11 Presentation Evening

A chance for our leavers to perform once again for their Presentation evening in November.

Christmas Concert and Celebration

Performers and musicians have the opportunity to perform for the Christmas Concert in the evening for the Community of St. Peter's. In this evening there is a selection of sacred and secular music with readings, poems, dance and drama. This is replicated where possible for Years 7-11 on the last day before Christmas holidays.

Year groups masses

The Liturgy musicians and choir perform the hymns for the year group masses. Pupils have the opportunity to sing, play instruments or take on a technical role.

Music Performance Evening

The second of two takes place in January. GCSE pupils, Pupils taking tuition plus a number of KS3 take part in a performance evening. Tickets available to parents, carers, friends and family.

SS Peter & Paul Mass

The Liturgy musicians and choir perform the hymns for the SS Peter & Paul mass for all year groups with pupil being able to take on a performance or technical role.

In the future

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

- Update to curriculum to include more modern styles of music, composers (which includes fair representation of gender/sex/culture and promote diversity, equality and inclusion) and new technology.
- Inclusion of more music theory throughout KS3 to further help to prepare for KS4.
- The creation of a Ukulele Orchestra.
- Music trip to watch a live performance.