



Music Development Plan Summary

All Saints Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Joanna Norford and Laura Ogston
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Wokingham Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Music Guru Rock and Pop Foundation

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 All Saints’ Primary music is taught across the school. All children in Years 1-6 receive 45-60 minutes of classroom music tuition per week, in addition to a scheduled singing assembly time for 30 minutes. Children are taught by their class teacher as a whole class.

In Early Years, our music curriculum is self-directed, allowing children to explore their own musical interests. Adults guide and encourage children to explore timbre through their instrument choices, exploring materials of instruments and how the sound is created. This links to their understanding of the world and exploration of materials. Children are encouraged to engage with composition through creating rhythms, beat and dynamics. Children also engage in teacher-led music sessions that are topic-based. During these times, teachers will explore listening skills, music and movement and encourage children to respond to the music with their own thoughts and feelings. Children are taught to match pitch, follow a melody and improvise songs, such as innovating lyrics to popular songs, as well as exploring body percussion and

singing in a Round. Children also have the opportunity to watch recorded musical experiences, such as children's ballet and orchestras. Children are given the opportunity to perform a nativity musical at Christmas with KS1 children and also an Early Years performance in the summer term.

We use the Music scheme KAPOW to support all lessons, which ensures all aspects of the Music curriculum are covered in a spiral approach, building on and revisiting skills and ensuring progression in all areas of Music: Listening and Evaluating, Creating Sound, Notation, Improvising and Composing and Performing. Children are taught musical vocabulary explicitly and this is built upon throughout their primary teaching.

The school music curriculum is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021) non-statutory guidance for teaching music.

All children have the opportunity to sing and play a range of instruments during their classroom lesson time, including tuned and untuned percussion. Children are taught the differences between groups of instruments, identify the timbre of an instrument and instrument families. During Collective Worship, children sing as a whole school a wide range of songs throughout the year reflecting the themes being covered during worship and the seasons. Children in year 1 to 6 participate in a whole school singing assembly for 30 minutes each week. Here, children learn both classical and contemporary songs, alongside a set of school hymns which reflect our Christian ethos. Children are taught to sing in harmony in two voice parts (alto and soprano) with the opportunities for small group or solo sections. Children are exposed to musical vocabulary, as well as staff notation. Children also explore the impact of dynamics and tempo on a performance.

All pupils participate in music within the school, ensuring that experiences are accessible for pupils with disabilities and/or SEND needs through adapted lessons, instruments and 1:1 support.

Children in year 2 take part in whole-class instrument lessons to learn to play the recorder. These lessons take place once a week for 20 minutes in addition to their curriculum music lessons. Children master the basic finger positions, learn to combine finger positions and notes to play simple tunes and read basic staff notation. Children begin to explore rhythms using stick notation. These lessons take place from Autumn Term 2 and continue through Summer Term 2, allowing children to build up their knowledge and understanding and provides a firm foundation when transitioning to KS2 music.

Part B: Extra-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.

All Saints Primary School provides children from 1-6 with the opportunity of being part of a school choir, participating in regional concerts as well as joining with local schools for seasonal

concerts. This is professionally run, in collaboration with the company Music Guru. Children have the opportunity to take part WASMA concert at the Reading Hexagon with other local schools, as well as joining with other Frays schools to perform in the local church.

The school work in collaboration with the Rock and Pop Foundation to offer children 1:1 or 1:2 musical tuition in guitar, drums and keyboard.

We also offer 1:1 or 1:2 DJ lessons, exploring musical technology in collaboration with Music Guru.

In particular circumstances financial assistance can help pupils to access extra-curricular lessons (e.g. pupil premium eligibility).

The school works in collaboration with St Crispin's Secondary School who offer opportunities for All Saints children to be involved with productions, such as singing as part of the choir.

Part C: Musical Events

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.

We have many musical experiences planned for each academic year which allow all children at All Saints Primary, from Nursery to year 6.

- Children in EYFS take part in a nativity performance as well as an Early Years performance to parents in the summer term
- Children in KS1 take part in a nativity performance, taking the lead roles
- Children in year 1 to 6 take part in church services throughout the year, including:
 - Harvest
 - Christmas
 - Easter
 - Year 6 Leavers
- Year 6 children take part in an end of year musical performance to parents and the school

The children have opportunities to watch live and recorded musical events, such as pantomimes. We have close links to St. Crispin's Secondary school whose Orchestra has visited and performed for our children.

In the future

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

The schools aims to:

- Continue to focus on playing tuned and untuned instruments, but also ensure that children have the opportunity to use any instruments that they have used in previous years when composing.
- Ensure that children have the opportunity to witness a live music event from specialist instrumentalists at least once a year – ongoing academic year 2024-2025.
- Continue to expand our extra-curricular music offer in order to provide opportunities for children to have access to instrument tuition where possible.
- Explore opportunities and support provided through the Wokingham Music Hub – ongoing academic year 2024-2025.
- Continue to ensure that choir and instrument lessons run successfully and that children are able to celebrate their achievements by performing to different audiences, including their peers.
- Build up opportunities for children to play collaboratively in an ensemble or band – academic year 2025/2026.
- Music lead to conduct learning walks and pupil voice so that an assessment can be made of the lesson time being spent effectively for music.
- Provide CPD for staff where needed.