

Music development plan summary: Hadlow Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 – 2025
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Name of the school music lead	Sharon Vanns
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Sharon Vanns
Name of local music hub	Kent and Medway Music Hub

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 school music curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021), using Kapow programme of study and resources.
- Every year group has a weekly music lesson of 30-40 minutes in EYFS and KS1. This increases to 60 minutes in KS2.
- Class music lessons include opportunities to
 - play tuned and untuned percussion
 - sing
 - listen to music from a range of genres
- All pupils in Year 3 have the opportunity to learn to play the harp through small group ensemble teaching. They have 2-3 cycles of 6 lessons throughout the school year.

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 are able to access the following:

- 1:1 or small group harp lessons - paid for by parents
- 1:1 or small group guitar lessons – paid for by parents or pupil premium funding
- 1:4 small group song-writing – 10 week block, through pupil premium funding
- 1:1 drumming lessons – paid for by parents
- i-rock small group band lessons – paid for by parents or pupil premium funding. Children select to sing or play drums, guitar or keyboard
- <https://irockschool.com/parents-info>
- Choir – weekly sessions for all pupils in KS2 (and Yr 2 in terms 5-6). There is no cost for this
- Young Voices – participation in an annual performance for pupils in Year 5 – paid for by parents or pupil premium funding

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.

Weekly singing assembly for all pupils

Termly participation in church services, including whole school and class singing, and small group singing (choir)

Annual nativity play by KS1 to include group singing

Annual performance at Young Voices for pupils in Year 5 – paid for by parents with pupil premium subsidy

Annual production by Year 6 to include group singing and some opportunities for solos/duets.

Annual choir concert for local primary schools – no cost

Occasional live music demonstrations in school from instrument teachers

In the future

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

Since embedding Kapow as our primary resource for class teaching, music provision across the whole school has escalated to a new level. Pupils and teachers alike enjoy the active and inspiring lessons, and we are proud of the learning and progression that is taking place. All pupils have opportunities to listen to and reflect upon a wide range of musical genres, and use these to inspire their exploration with instruments, singing and composition.

All children learn to play a musical instrument, and there are opportunities to extend this initial experience through individual or small group lessons with specialist teachers.

All pupils have opportunities to engage in performances, which are enjoyed by parents and families. We also enjoy the special occasions when we collaborate with other schools and professionals in bigger events such as the Tonbridge Schools Choir Concert and Young Voices at the O₂.

For the year ahead, we look forward to consolidating our improving class music provision and hope to increase the access to individual instrument teaching by finding a piano and possibly a strings teacher.

Further information (optional)

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.

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.