



Music development plan summary: Church Vale Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/26
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Name of the school music lead	Tanya Leadbeater/Vicky Goncalves
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Jo Yardley
Name of local music hub	Nottinghamshire Music Hub (Inspire)

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 Church Vale, we have timetabled music lessons in all year groups and we use the Charanga music scheme across the school, which is aligned to the National Curriculum for Music. The National Curriculum for Music aims to ensure that all pupils:

- perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians
- learn to sing and to use their voices, to create and compose music on their own and with others, have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, use technology appropriately and have the opportunity to progress to the next level of music excellence

- understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through the inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

By using the scheme, we are ensuring progressive lessons weekly and we guarantee to meet the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum. Progress is evident through observations and our progression document. Observations have shown that all pupils are engaged and active during lessons, including SEND. Lessons are taught by the class teacher for a minimum of 40 minutes per week (we do 30 minutes or block it into an hour a fortnight).

Inspire Music also provide a term of whole class music teaching for one year group, taught by a music specialist. Leading to the children performing pieces they have learnt to the whole school. This is on a rolling programme throughout the county so all schools have access to this service.

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.

At Church Vale Primary School we have a choir that runs up to Christmas that attends events offsite and also sings at in school activities. We have participated in young voices and the Warsop Big Sing when we can. We also attend the Mansfield's got Talent show combining singing and dancing for a group of our children.

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Throughout the year our children enjoy taking part in the Christmas production, music performances and singing assemblies. We invite parents and peers to watch and support our performances and this is always very well received.

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 will have the opportunity to perform or experience high quality music this academic year. Below is a list of the opportunities available:

- Christmas performance for KS1 and EYFS
- Christmas Performance for KS2 using the Church, singing to the community
- Rhyme time and singing sessions for parents and early years children.

- End of Year performance for KS2
- Community performances – whole school
- Big Sing performance – whole school
- Pantomime performance – whole school
- Theatre visits (musicals such as Shrek)
- Weekly singing assemblies which include fun vocal warm ups, popular hit songs as well as classical music. Some assemblies focus on rhythm and whole school clapping challenges to accompany a variety of music.

The musical experiences are always enjoyed by both children and parents and we always have a strong presence at performances.

In the future

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

Church Vale have recently lost their peripatetic music teacher as she retired. Before she left we team taught with her so the expertise was not lost, and we have bought digital platforms instead of the piano as we have no current permanent staff who can play. One of our regular supply staff is a music specialist so the future plans are to continue with her playing in assemblies and leading on the singing type assemblies to ensure the children hear live music. We are also looking to employ in some way a specialist music teacher who can continue what we had previously. We need to continue to give our children the opportunity to take part in lessons and experiences, actively looking out for them is one of our aims,

Lastly we need to continue to give our children experiences of theatre trips, in school performances and also different types and genres of music.