



Music Development Plan Summary 2024/25

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
Date this summary was published	17 th September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2025 or earlier
Name of the school music lead	Eve Martin
Name of local music hub	Gloucestershire Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Smash Hits

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.

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 Sharpness Primary School we aim for children to gain a firm understanding of what music is through listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing, and composing across a wide variety of historical periods, styles, traditions, and musical genres. Our objective is to develop a curiosity for the subject, as well as an understanding and acceptance of the validity and importance of all types of music. We are committed to ensuring children understand the value and importance of music in the wider community, and are able to use their musical skills, knowledge, and experiences to involve themselves in music, in a variety of different contexts.



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Our music curriculum supports our key curriculum drivers:

Aspirations	Developing oracy and widening vocabulary	Developing children's understanding of different cultures	Providing experiences
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Music lessons are taught weekly following the Charanga music scheme on a rolling mixed-year programme, with lessons lasting between 45 minutes to one hour. Lessons are designed to be progressive and build on prior learning allowing the children time to revisit, review, and refine their music vocabulary. Lesson plans are adapted to ensure that they are inclusive, enabling all learners the opportunity to be fully involved, which turn provides opportunities to be **SHARP** (Successful, Happy, Ambitious, Proud). You can view our music progression [here](#).

Our scheme of work fulfils the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum (2014). 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 musical excellence
- Understand and explore how music is created, produced and communicated, including through inter-related dimensions: pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and appropriate musical notations.

In EYFS, children:

- Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs
- Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories
- Move in time with music



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All children will learn to sing songs and play untuned and tuned instruments during weekly lessons. Instruments include percussion, tambourines, glockenspiels, recorders, chime bars and keyboards. Children also have the opportunity to have specialist music lessons with *Smash Hit!*

Extra-curricular music/Tuition

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 children have the opportunity to receive weekly music tuition through Smash Hit! Musical instruments offered include drums, bass, guitar and keyboard. Lessons are either shared or on an individual basis. Lessons are paid for privately but are offered free of charge to children in receipt of Pupil Premium. Bursary places may also be available.

Musical experiences, events and performances

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.

All children have the opportunity to perform to an audience in annual events such as Harvest and Christmas performances, and Year 6 Leavers' Assembly.

A Young Voices choir is also offered to all KS2 children in the Autumn Term. Pupil Premium children are subsidised to ensure they are able to attend.



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In the future

- Continue to promote and grow the music tuition numbers
- Explore Charanga CPD opportunities to support effective and confident teaching of music
- Introduce whole class instrument session blocks
- Proactively try to find additional funding for music to ensure that music can be promoted further within the school community
- Explore further opportunities to perform/take part in events locally