

## Music Development Plan Summary:

### Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 - 25
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2025
Name of the school music lead	Esther Leverett- Williams
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N/A
Name of local music hub	Shropshire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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 publishes the school curriculum for music for each year [here](#). This includes how access for disabled pupils and supporting pupils with special educational needs (SEND) are included and supported.

Children across our school are allocated 45 mins - 1 hour a week for curriculum music with a specialist teacher.

- Our curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021).
- Pupils at KS2 learn to play the ocarina during lesson time through whole-class ensemble teaching.
- The school uses the following partnerships to support curriculum music:
  - [Shropshire Music Hub/Service](#): live music opportunities; ensemble/performance groups across the county; music audit service; professional development.
  - [Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust](#): Trust events and performances; professional development; networking.

## Part B: Extra Curricular Musical Opportunities

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.

Our school offers music tuition outside of what is taught in lesson time as follows:

- Individual or small-group music lessons with our music lead (recorder, piano, flute, clarinet, violin, cello, guitar). These require a financial commitment from parents. Children who are eligible for pupil premium are supported with 50% of the costs. As appropriate, this can lead to entry into graded exams with the ABRSM.

Outside of lesson time children can join the following ensembles:

- Choir (KS1 and KS2) at lunchtime - no financial contribution required.
- An annual instrumental ensemble at lunchtime (e.g. boomwhackers, ocarinas) - no financial contribution required.
- [Stompers](#) instrumental ensemble run by the Shropshire Music Service at Lacon Childe Secondary School - no financial contribution required.

[Shropshire Music Service](#) supports with a range of extra [services](#) including instrument loans, weekend, after-school or holiday provision such as Saturday music centres, and qualifications/awards pupils can achieve.

## 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 benefit from musical experiences (free unless otherwise indicated) which are planned for the academic year as follows:

- daily assembly/worship which includes either whole school singing or listening to different genres and the key musical elements.
- Regular whole school celebrations that include musical performances (singing, ocarinas, solo performances) at our church: Harvest; Christmas; Easter; Leavers.
- Other community events that include musical performances: Summer Fete (whole school) ; Community Carols by Candlelight (open to all pupils and families – ticketed event for parents free to children); Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust Music Event (open to all pupils).
- Live performances available to whole school: [Live Music Event](#) (voluntary travel contribution); Musical/theatre performances (voluntary contribution); staff and pupil performance

## In the future

Below are improvements that are planned (copied from school development plan) for the current year. We continually evaluate and update on an annual basis.

Musical Experiences: To widen where children perform and listen to music with other schools.	Shropshire music service annual "concert" @ Lacon with other Trust schools. Resume bi-annual Trust concert for pupils in all Trust schools	KJ/ELW	November 2024 July 2025	Pupils attend live music presentation. Pupils in KS2 are given the opportunity to perform to and with other schools within the Trust.
To ensure our good practice is reflected in our documentation and understood/supported and challenged by governors.	Construct Music Development Plan. Review Music policy Governor Link visit	KJ/ELW	Autumn term	Music development plan written Music policy reviewed and updated Governor link visit

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact our music lead via the office.

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Passion  
Teamwork  
Dancing  
Relaxing  
Joy  
Fun  
Learning an instrument  
Being creative  
Expressing myself  
Singing with friends

**What does MUSIC mean to you?**

Speak to your music teacher and discover what you can get involved in, and what help you can get to make music.

**Your musical journey...**

- Music lessons and clubs in school
- Learn to play an instrument, to sing and to create music
- Music clubs or groups outside of school
- Where could music take you next?

The government published **The Power of Music to Change Lives – The National Plan for Music Education** – in 2022 to help all young people have a brilliant music education, regardless of where you are in the country or your background.