



Music Development Plan 2026

Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Julia Orridge
Name of local music hub	Leicestershire 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.

Music is taught in class every week and is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021). Lessons are a minimum of 30 minutes and are taught by the class teachers. Teaching is supported by the scheme Kapow. This musical learning is further supplemented by weekly singing assemblies lasting 20 minutes and fortnightly Drumba sessions, also lasting 20 minutes. Throughout the year, children take part in various musical events – this includes the Harvest festival service, a Christmas Carol service and an end of year whole school music performance. All children, from EYFS, are taught to play in an ensemble, through the use of Drumba.

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.

At Buckminster Primary School, we currently offer individual lessons on the piano, ukulele and guitar through a peripatetic teacher.

We also have a school choir, where the children have the opportunity to perform at a few local events, as well as the Young Voices choir.

Individual and small group lessons are funded by parents, however for those children who are Pupil Premium, these lessons can be funded by the Pupil Premium provision.

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.

Children will have the opportunity to perform or experience high quality music this academic year. Please see below for a list of those opportunities:

- Young Voices choir at the Genting Arena in Birmingham
- MET singing spectacular event at the Melton Theatre
- Vale school performance at St Mary's church in Melton Mowbray
- Buckminster Estate Christmas light witch on event
- Whole school end of year Music show

In the future

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

In future years, our Music Development Plan aims to achieve the following:

- Introduction of a wider range of instruments on offer for small group or individual lessons.
- Introduction of further whole-class ensemble projects delivered by a music specialist.
- Further develop performance opportunities for our young musicians throughout the school year.
- Further develop engagement in extra-curricular music for Pupil Premium and SEND children.