

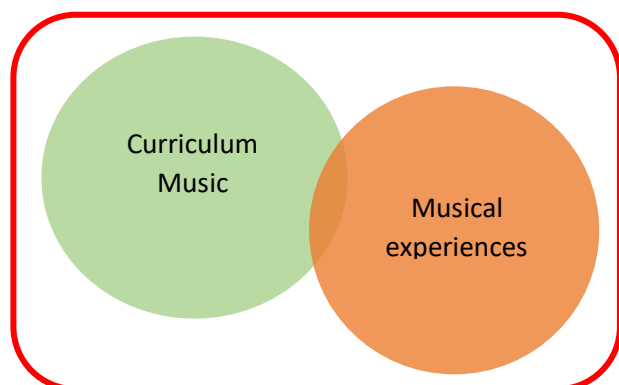


Church Hill Infant School

Music Development Plan Summary

Detail	Information
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Name of local music hub	Leicestershire Music Hub https://leicestershiremusichub.org/

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across two areas – curriculum music and musical experiences. We teach the children to play the recorder and the glockenspiel in Year 2 but peripatetic teaching begins at our neighbouring Junior School. This information is intended to help pupils and parents / carers understand what our school offers and who we work with to support our pupils' music education.



These two areas, which should be accessible to all pupils, build on each other, starting with foundations set in curriculum music time and then exploring and experiencing music in other ways appropriate to the age of our Infant pupils.

1. Curriculum Music

The National Curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils:

- Perform, listen to, review and evaluate music across a range of periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of 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 pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, structure and musical notations

2. Curriculum at Church Hill

At Church Hill Infants our Music offer is combined of stand-alone music lessons and, where possible, cross curricular links to Music. Children participate in weekly singing assemblies in their year groups where they learn

a range of songs including; nursery rhymes and songs linking to calendar festivals. Music is weaved into our PSHE curriculum, Jigsaw, by promoting and learning songs linking to the unit being taught.

At Church Hill Infants we aim to provide stimulating activities which will add value to their musical journey.

Get Set 4 Music

Across the school we currently follow Get Set 4 Music – a scheme that has been written by qualified music teachers and exposes the children to key knowledge and vocabulary at an age appropriate level through inspirational songs and activities. The lessons in each unit are progressive and aim to build on skills learnt in previous lessons and previous year groups.

Children are taught to sing properly, appraise a wide range of music and read, play, compose and improvise music on glockenspiels, as well as a variety of unpitched instruments

3. Musical Experiences

At Church Hill Infants we immerse the children in a range of musical experiences whilst they are in our care. We use singing and instrumental performances across many aspects of our curriculum and understanding of the world.

Nativity Play – Children in EYFS take part in a Christmas Nativity and sing numerous songs which they perform to their parents.

Christmas Carol Concerts – Year 1 and Year 2 learn some traditional Christmas Carols as well as some modern Christmas songs which they perform to each other and to parents. Year 2 experience singing inside a Church environment.

Religious Celebrations – throughout the year children will participate in learning about a variety of important festivals and celebrations. They may learn songs and listen to and move to music.

Singing Assemblies - Each class / year group comes together weekly to practise learning new songs and develop an understanding of what it is to perform in a larger group.

In whole school assemblies children may sing a song when coming into and leaving the hall – some assembly time is given to learning these songs.

Year 2 Leavers Concert – a variety of dance and songs are learnt and then performed to an audience of parents just before they leave the Infant School.

Music listening within classrooms - Teachers often play different genres of music for the children to listen to and begin to share their feelings on. This music is a mixture of old and new styles and aims to widen the children's musical horizons and appreciation.

We value live music at our school and aim to provide at least one concert per calendar year. In previous years these have ranged from a solo live pianist to a travelling Pantomime with instruments, singing and sound effects. All of which have added value to the children's musical learning journey through expanding knowledge from an expert musician or performer.

In the future

We are aspiring to develop enthusiastic musicians who are eager to advance both their vocal and instrumental skills as they progress into Key Stage Two. Additionally we are aiming to form a Key Stage 1 choir who will learn songs to perform at public events, for example the school Summer Fayre.