



Music development plan summary: Moorside Primary School and Nursery

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	September 2024
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Name of the school music lead	Gail Lee
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Claire Rowett
Name of local music hub	North Yorkshire

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 Curriculum overview includes the breadth of music opportunities for each year group which includes singing, performance, composition and listening skills. All pupils take part in weekly music lessons, which are adapted as necessary to meet the needs of all pupils. In addition to the delivery of music lessons weekly, all the children in Key Stage 1 and 2 sing for 30 minutes each week in a singing assembly and take part in at least one performance with an external audience each year. The children therefore take part in music lessons or additional activities for one hour per week.

We have 3 music specialists in school. Lessons are organised so that they are delivered by a member of staff who can read music and has secure subject knowledge.

Every week in assembly, we share a featured genre of music as our 'music of the week' and encourage the children to listen and think about how the music makes them feel. Our discussions look at where in the world it was made and when in our history

was it created and the artist or composer. They also identify instruments they can hear from different families.

Our school curriculum for music is delivered through Music Express, so that teachers and children have access to high quality models and resources. As part of these lessons, the children take part in composition activities on tuned instruments (glockenspiels) and percussion.

All Early Years provision includes percussion instruments for children to explore sounds as well as opportunities to sing Nursery rhymes and songs daily. Music is used within classrooms to promote 'tidy up time', relaxation and as a stimulus for dance in PE.

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.

The music curriculum is further enhanced by performances biannually with music events, such as 'Carols Around the Christmas Tree' and performing to other members of the community, for example in care and residential homes. Each year group takes part in a musical production or performance in the Autumn and Summer term.

National Nursery Rhyme week is celebrated by inviting parents to take part in singing rhymes with their children.

Our pupils have taken part in wider music events through the music service within Ripon Cathedral and combined schools charity concerts with our cluster of schools, which are forecast to take place in 2025.

Piano tuition is offered for pupils in Year 2 and above. We also have small group singing clubs, both at lunchtimes and after school.

Other clubs throughout the year include instruments such as recorders and percussion.

Our school singing club runs for two terms of the year.

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.

Our children take part in singing assemblies every Thursday, where they learn a range of traditional, folk and pop songs.

October – Traditional Harvest songs are sung.

This includes some songs that we sing and sign.

Reception children perform their Harvest assembly

November - Nursery performances – Nursery Rhyme week

December – KS2 Musical – Letters from the Trenches

KS1 musical Nativity

EYFS Nativity

Carols Around the Christmas Tree

Residential homes performances

February/March – Spring and Easter songs – Assembly

June-Combined Schools Charity Music concert - Harrogate

July – Summer concert – whole school

Y6 Leavers production – musical – KS2

Musical experiences – Music assembly – music service and musicians within school to perform in assembly to promote per music lessons

Armistice service – Service pupils take part in musical event, including choirs and bands for armistice day

Year 6 – London show – Wicked/The Lion King musical

All children watch performances by other year groups as part of dress rehearsals.

All school concerts and shows are free for parents and carers..

In the future

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

Further opportunities for children to learn instruments and read music

Fundraising for pupils to attend local pantomimes / musical performances

Further information (optional)

Use this space to provide any further information about your school's music development plan, including links to your local music hub partners, other local music education organisations and contacts.

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.

If your school is part of a multi-academy trust with a trust-wide music development plan, you may also want to include a link to any published information on this plan.