



Music Development Plan

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Miss Pitman
Name of local music hub	Bucks Music Trust

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

At Chalfont St Peter Infant School, music is taught through the Sparkyard scheme which ensures all teachers can deliver high quality music lessons. Sparkyard was developed with consideration to the Model Music Curriculum. Sparkyard encourages singing to be embedded in school life, using cross-curricular songs. Music is taught for an hour weekly in all classes, this may be split over a number of sessions (in Year R). In addition to this the children have a weekly singing assembly. The intention is first and foremost to help children to feel that they are musical, and to develop a life-long love of music. Each class teacher uses the scheme and adapts it to ensure every child can access and enjoy music within our school. The curriculum is planned in sequences to allow children to review, remember, apply and deepen their understanding of knowledge and skills. Teachers plan lessons to be inclusive of all learners. At Chalfont St Peter Infant School all children will learn to sing songs and play untuned and tuned instruments through our weekly music lessons. Instruments include claves, shakers, hand drums, tambourines, glockenspiels and boomwhackers.

Co-curricular Music

All children have the opportunity to perform in annual events such as Harvest Festival Nativity Play, Christmas Concert, Easter Concert, Graduation (Year R), Project Week (Year 1) and Leavers Show (Year 2). Children across the school (Year R-Year 2) have the opportunity to be a member of the school choir- there is no limit on the numbers. Children in KS1 have the opportunity to join the school Recorder Club, Handbell Club (Autumn Term) and Ocarina Club (Spring Term). Children in Year R have the opportunity to be part of Boomwhacker Club (Summer Term). These children perform in various concerts throughout the year. The school choir also performs at events in the local community such Village Fun Night, Feast Day and local care homes and retirements homes.

Musical Experiences

Children will partake in weekly singing assemblies, an African drumming workshops, various performances and concerts both in school and in the local area. They will attend a pantomime at Christmas.

In the future...

We are going to continue to develop the children's composition skills and notation. We will contact local musicians (local schools and churches) to seek opportunities for our children to watch live music performances. We will have a half termly genre of music focus which with children will learn about, listen to, during assembly time and in the classroom. Furthermore, we will provide our staff with CPD to continue to develop their confidence and subject knowledge.

Further Information

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.

Our [local music hub](#) provides more information on local music opportunities and tuition.