

Music development plan summary: *Nether Edge Primary School*

Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Kathryn Harvey
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Dora Poulton
Name of local music hub	Sheffield Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

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 Nether Edge music curriculum meets the expectations set out in the National Curriculum (2014) and draws inspiration from the Model Music Curriculum (2021). It inspires children to develop a love of music and the skills of musicians. Children engage critically with music, showing thoughtful listening skills and using the musical canon to compose and perform their own music. All children are supported in all lessons across Nether Edge Primary, including children with SEND. The curriculum is accessible for all with reasonable adjustments in place. See the following link for more information on how SEND students are supported across the curriculum.

<https://www.netheredge.sheffield.sch.uk/page/?title=Policies+%26amp%3B+Procedures&pid=41>

Our long term plan for music can be found:

<https://www.netheredge.sheffield.sch.uk/page/?title=Music&pid=58>

Listening and Appraising lessons are approximately 15 – 20 minutes per week across KS1 and KS2. In addition to this, there are singing assemblies for KS2 which are 15 minutes per week. Alongside this, children learn musical instruments throughout their time in KS2. These lessons last half an hour a week with recorders (Y3) being class teacher-led and glockenspiels (Y4) and violins (Y5/6) being led by a music expert from the Music Hub. In KS1, there are weekly class teacher-led singing lessons for at least 15 minutes and this is backed up by our school approach to Oracy. This is timetabled, in KS1, so children are able to speak confidently with an increasing awareness of rhythm and timing.

Once every cycle, children are immersed in a music day which focusses on different parts of the music curriculum while also pulling on their other knowledge. The children have opportunities through these music days to practise performance skills, composition skills and use their knowledge of musical instruments and music technology.

The EYFS curriculum is based on the EYFS framework and ensures children have a good foundation for their music education. Children have the opportunity to engage with a wide range of songs and other pieces of music and learn a range of nursery rhymes. They have the chance to move in different ways to music as well as learn some key musical terms. At the end of autumn term, children in the Early Years perform a range of Christmas songs to their parents/ families.

In addition to the timetabled music curriculum, children, if they want to, are able to access peripatetic music lessons for piano and drums. We endeavour to extend this in the near future. Furthermore, choir is offered as a weekly club led by the music lead.

Our curriculum is supported by the Sheffield Music Hub. As well as this, we have strong partnerships within our trust including primary and secondary schools. We have also started to work with Sheffield High School for Girls to enhance our music provision.

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.

Nether Edge Primary School Choir is a key part of the school and wider community. Children from Year 1 to Year 6 are invited to sing a range of songs and perform within the community. This has enhanced our core curriculum as children are able to apply their learning, knowledge and skills from choir to their weekly lessons. Choir is £2.50 per half term for the children and is

offered free for Pupil Premium children. We endeavour to keep costs low in order to attract more of the school community and to make this an accessible club for all.

In addition to this, our Music Hub link teacher shares relevant information about any events and groups that are being run by the Hub. This is promoted and shared on Class Dojo so children have the opportunity to access this out of school.

Peripatetic lessons are offered to children in KS2. We currently offer drum lessons (£10 per lesson) and piano lessons (£12 per lesson) and we aim to increase this offer in the near future.

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 have a wide range of opportunities to access music outside of the music lessons in school. Children are able to perform music at different times throughout the year and can see a range of different performances.

In KS2, there are weekly singing assemblies giving children the opportunity to sing as part of an ensemble and KS1 children sing in class together. Year 5 attend One Voice: Christmas every year run by the Sheffield Music Hub where they sing with other schools in the Octagon. The Christmas performance in UKS2 includes singing, as does the Year 6 end of year performance. Children are also able to perform to their families in KS2 showing their skills in their instruments that they have been learning throughout the year. Three times a year, the school choir performs at the Nether Edge Market.

In terms of seeing musical performances, as part of the children's school trip offer, Year 1 attend Music in the Round or a theatre performance, Year 4 attend the Pantomime and Year 6 have the opportunity to see a local secondary school performance. In the future, we aim to expand this.

In the future

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

Over the next few years, we are looking at continuing to find opportunities to add more instruments in to our offer, whether it be via peripatetic teachers or additional ensembles in

school. On top of this, we will be looking to expand our school choir and find other opportunities for performances.

We will continue to find more ways to evidence music across the school, showcasing the children's understanding and love of music.

We will be looking to increase the EYFS provision and looking at more ways to embed music throughout the EFYS curriculum.

Furthermore, we will be continuing to support staff with their musical knowledge and understanding by continuing to have staff meetings with music as a focus.