

Music development plan summary: Austhorpe Primary School



Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Helen Vertigans
Name of local music hub	Artforms Leeds

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.

At Austhorpe Primary music is taught on a weekly basis in year groups. Lessons last 40 minutes and are delivered by a Music Specialist Teacher from Artforms (Leeds). Our music curriculum is inspired by The Model Music Curriculum. The Model Music Curriculum is informed by the non-statutory National Curriculum Guidance.

Our Music planning allows the teacher to teach comprehensive and carefully sequenced music lessons, ensuring that all children progress and build upon their music skills throughout each year group. Each lesson is adapted to meet the needs of children with additional needs and allows music to be enjoyed by all.

Children have the opportunity to gain experience, play and expand their musical skills with a variety of percussion instruments (EYFS and KS1) and chime bars (KS2) as part of weekly music lessons. Our Long-Term Planning details progression of musical knowledge and skills from EYFS to Year 6 and can be viewed on the school's website.

Alongside a weekly music lesson every child attends a whole school singing assembly weekly. Our singing assembly lasts for 15 minutes and is led by the school's Music Subject Leader.

Children throughout school are given the opportunity to sing or listen to music in other core curriculum lessons. These include nursery rhymes, alphabet songs, counting songs in Early Years and Key stage 1. Times table songs, songs about punctuation, songs in French and music in PE in key stage 2.

The children in the Early Years have the opportunity to play instruments and make music in the music area within their classroom and outdoor area.

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.

Musical instrument Lessons

One to one or small group peripatetic woodwind instrument lessons are provided by an external provider Music for Schools Foundation. The music lessons are available for the Year 2 to Year 6 children. The hire of the instruments and the lessons are funded by Parents / Carers. The instruments available to be learnt are Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone and Cornet.

Drumming lessons are provided by an external music teacher in small groups. These lessons are available for Key stage 2 children and are funded by parents and carers. Each lesson lasts 30 minutes. The children perform to the rest of the school during assembly time twice a year.

After School Clubs

Song drawing club – EYFS and Year 1 taught by the EYFS teacher. Songdrawing is a multi-sensory, hands-on activity, which is based on short drawing songs and the combination of singing and visual expression.

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.

At Austhorpe Primary School music is not only limited to music lessons as part of the curriculum.

Each week the whole school takes part in a singing assembly. The Music Subject Leader leads this assembly. During singing assemblies, the children sing songs from a range of music genres and wherever possible, music is chosen to represent a particular time of year e.g. Harvest, Christmas, or Easter.

Throughout the school year the children perform a number of performances.

Our Early Years children take part in a Christmas production each year. The children perform two performances in the Early Years classroom to parents and Carers and this is free of charge.

Our Year 1 and Year 2 children produce a Christmas production each year. This is an excellent opportunity for them to work with other children, to discover their voices and to learn more about expressive arts. The children perform on the stage in the hall, and it is free of charge to their parents and carers.

Children from all other years have the chance to be members of the audience and watch the dress rehearsal for both of the above performances.

The key stage 2 children who receive drumming lessons from the external teacher perform to the rest of the key stage twice a year along side the teacher.

During the Year 6 Leavers assembly the year 6 children choose a song to perform to the rest of the school and their parents.

In the future

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

To embed a new computer curriculum musical module for Year 2 and upper key stage 2. The Music Champion will work alongside the Computing Champion to

To include further opportunities for music to be used throughout the curriculum in all years.

To provide an assembly twice a year for pupils to display their musical skills for children who attend instrument or vocal lessons outside of school.

Further information can be found at

Austhorpe Primary School <https://www.austhorpeprimary.org/>

Artforms Leeds <https://artformsleeds.co.uk>

Music for Schools Foundation <https://www.mfsf.org.uk/>

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. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/music-education-information-for-parents-and-young-people>