

Music development plan summary: Willoughby Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-25
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Joanne Linnett
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	n/a
Name of local music hub	Nottinghamshire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	b/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.

Music at Willoughby is taught by one of our teachers who is also a competent musician who delivers weekly 45 minute music sessions to all classes and year groups of children from FS2 to year 6. Our bespoke music curriculum covers all the key musical skills of performance (both singing and playing a wider range of instruments), composition, listening and appraising as detailed in the National Curriculum. See our music scheme of work <https://www.willoughby.notts.sch.uk/curriculum/music/> Quality first teaching ensures that all children have access to this curriculum. Younger children have access to the use of percussion instruments, with the older children progressing to having the opportunities to play recorders and glockenspiels during music lesson time. Additionally, all children participate in singing sessions during our weekly singing assemblies. We also have a six week block of drumba for all children where all the

children undertake fitness routines with drumsticks learning different rhythms, whilst exercising.

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.

At Willoughby Primary School, we offer peripatetic instrumental lessons to individuals, pairs or small groups of children. These opportunities include: learning drumming, the guitar, ukulele and singing. These opportunities are available to all children from FS2-year 6. Each year, the children involved in these lessons have the opportunity to show case their work to the other children and to the parents.

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.

There are many performance opportunities at Willoughby Primary School during the school year, including our: FS2 and KS1 Christmas production, Carols for All and services at the end of each term. All our concerts are free to attend.

In the future

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

This year we hope to have children participating in the NASA Orchestra Day with other local schools.