

Music development plan summary 2024-2025 Hamsterley, St John's Chapel & Wearhead Primary Schools

Overview

Detail	Information
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Date this summary will be reviewed	
Name of the school music lead	Kathryn Eastwood
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Darryl Todd
Name of local music hub	http://www.ntmeh.org.uk/ North Tyneside Music Education Hub (North Tyneside Council)
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Durham Music Service Middleton in Teesdale Silver Band

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.

Details of our music curriculum can be found on our website https://www.st-johnschapel.durham.sch.uk/page/?title=Music&pid=75

Each class receives a weekly music lesson delivered by class teachers, who use Charanga Music, working from the English Model Music Curriculum Scheme, as a starting point.

St John's Chapel and Wearhead Primary Schools also take up a First Access scheme with the Durham Music Service for KS2 pupils, which provides opportunities to learn to play the ukulele, recorder, violin and voice tuition delivered by a qualified music teacher.

EYFS/KS1 pupils at Hamsterley Primary have access to the School Little Fingers programme, delivered by DMS, which is designed for young learners in KS1. Musical skills are learnt through singing games and rhymes and by developing children's confidence in using untuned percussion instruments.

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.

Hamsterley Primary School offers weekly woodwind tuition delivered by a member of the DMS team. Instruments can be loaned from the Durham Music Service and the current schedule of fees is available on request. Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium are eligible to receive discounted tuition from the DMS. Please speak to a member of school staff.

The school also benefit from the expertise of members of the Middleton in Teesdale Silver Band, who offer individual tuition in brass instruments.

St John's Chapel Primary School offers weekly recorder and violin tuition in small groups delivered by a member of the DMS team. Instruments can be loaned from the Durham Music Service and the current schedule of fees is available on request. Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium are eligible to receive discounted tuition from the DMS. Please speak to a member of school staff.

Wearhead Primary School offers weekly violin tuition in small groups delivered by a member of the DMS team. Instruments can be loaned from the Durham Music Service and the current schedule of fees is available on request. Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium are eligible to receive discounted tuition from the DMS. Please speak to a member of school staff.

Pupils who participate in small group or individual music lessons often perform at events such as the Harvest Festival, Christingle and Easter Services, as well as special assemblies.

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 the opportunity to sing in daily acts of collective worship. They also perform regularly for parents and carers at school events such as the Macmillan Coffee afternoon, Harvest Festival and the Easter service. Each school performs a Christmas play and holds a Christingle and carol service.

As part of the extra-curricular offer at Hamsterley Primary, children have the option to take part in an after school singing club in the summer term.

Opportunities to access live performances delivered by Music at the Heart of Teesdale and 'the Cream Teas' are also included within the curriculum.

Each December, the children have a trip to the pantomime at Durham Gala Theatre.

In the future

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

We hope to continue to use Charanga Music to teach lessons and also the peripatetic teachers from Durham Music Service who deliver lessons to KS2 and individual music tuition.

In subsequent years, we hope to be able to offer a wider range of instruments to those children who would like to learn something different to our current offer.

We are aiming to teach the children a broader range of songs for singing in assemblies and at future events. To assist with this, we potentially have a pianist and retired music teacher, who plays multiple instruments, who have offered to spend some time teaching new songs. This may begin in the Spring Term.