Music development plan summary:

Fourfields Community Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
Date this summary was published	Nov 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	Sept 2025
Name of the school music lead	Sarah Zollinger-Ball
Name of local music hub	Cambridgeshire Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Rock steady

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.

To read in more detail about the provision music at Fourfields Primary School, please visit our website: https://www.fourfields.cambs.sch.uk/About-Us/Our-Curriculum/

Music is taught in class every week and is informed by the model music curriculum (March2021). Lessons are a minimum of 40 minutes and are taught by class teachers or HLTAs. Teaching is

supported by specialist planning through the Kapow curriculum scheme of work. When using the scheme and its progressive week-by-week lessons, we are guaranteeing to be meeting all the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum and progress is evident through observations and our progression documents. Discussions with children have demonstrated an increasing knowledge of key music vocabulary being recalled. Observations have shown all pupils engaged and active during the lessons, including SEND. We have a wide range of instruments that can be used in the lessons so all children have equal opportunities.

This musical learning is further supplemented by weekly singing assemblies lasting 30 minutes. Each week children are given the opportunity to listen to a variety of musical genres in the classroom and as part of our singing assembly.

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 Fourfields Primary School, we currently offer individual and small-group lessons on drums through Cambridgeshire music hub. Teachers visit the school and teach children in our dedicated music practise room.

We have a small (22 children) Key Stage 2 Choir, that meet weekly working towards the 'Young Voices' performance in Birmingham with over 500 other children.

Individual and small group lessons are funded by parents, however for those children who are Pupil Premium, these lessons can be

funded by the Pupil Premium provision. All ensembles are free and accessible to all of Key Stage 2.

Each year we hold a singing competition for each class performing a chosen song around a theme.

Weekly we have a singing assembly with a wide range of songs being learnt and performed. The children take part with confidence and enthusiasm. All our Year 2 take part in whole class recorders taught by class teachers or HLTAs.

Children at Fourfields can join in with rock music sessions taught through 'Rock Steady.' These are chargeable sessions directly with the company however those children who are pupil premium can be funded by the Pupil Premium Provision. All children that take up Rock steady perform to parents and children termly.

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 Fourfields we give our children opportunities through:

- Young voices trip to Birmingham
- Reception children perform a Nativity each year at Christmas
- House singing competition
- Key Stage 1 perform a Carol Singing Concert
- We have an affiliation with The Royal Opera House and are a partner school
- The Salvation Army Band come into school at Christmas to enable community carol singing to take place
- Year 6 perform their leavers show in the summer term.

- Rock steady children perform termly to an audience
- School choir perform at school social events such as the summer fayre

In the future

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

In future years, our Music Development Plan aims to achieve the following:

- Introduction of a wider range of instruments on offer for small group or individual lessons.
- Develop further whole-class ensemble projects within school and through the Cambridgeshire music hub.
- Further develop performance opportunities for our young musicians throughout the school year.
- Further develop engagement in extra-curricular music for Pupil Premium and SEND
- Give further opportunities to children demonstrating a talent within music