

Music development plan summary: Sharples Primary School

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, cocurricular 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.

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-25
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Name of local music hub	Bolton Music Service

	Our plan for delivering high-quality music education and supporting children's progress			
			Where are we now?	What will we do next?
	Curriculum	High-quality	Music specialist (Year 5 teacher) delivers	Continue to develop
		weekly music	three half-terms of Music per Year group.	planning to suit
		lessons	Class teachers deliver three half-terms of	needs of pupils. Use
What do we	High quality		Music using Kapow scheme of work	pupil voice to
include in our	music		(planned for by music specialist teacher).	develop planning.
provision at	provision		Planning, both music specialist/Kapow	
Sharples Primary			scheme follows smalls, incremental steps in	Develop EYFS
School?			learning and is informed by the model	practice to include
			music curriculum (March 2021).	musical questioning.
			Music is inclusive for all learners.	
In the classroom			Music is taught consistently for every year	Increase use of
			group, every week across the year and is	recordings for
			within every timetable (1 hour weekly).	reflection and self-
Beyond the				evaluation.
classroom			In EYFS music is delivered through holistic	Staff cpd and training
			practice as an integral part of early	on use of
			development. Music is planned for as part	iPad/recording and
			of the 'Expressive Arts and Design' area of	what to use for it.
			learning. Their nursery rhyme spine ensures	
			will develop language and early literacy	Create, share and
			skills. These rhymes are shared shared with	embed list of

parents so that they can support the children at home.

Pupils in KS1 & KS2 are taught equally by the music specialist and class teachers. Planning is written by the music specialist and class teachers are supported with coaching throughout each unit. This forms part of the monitoring process.

Building on skills acquired in KS1, pupils in KS2 develop their playing with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression. Listening develops aural memory and children develop an understanding of the history of music.

Pupils in KS1 and KS2 have music lessons for an hour a week with the music specialist/class teacher (alternate half terms).

Music tech is taught in units in Y5 & Y6. Children have access to their own iPads to support this.

questions to use for reflecting critically on learning.

Music books (with staff notation) to be implemented from Year 2 upwards to record work. Books to travel through school with the pupils to Year 6.

Vocal provision	20 minute regular singing assemblies led by	
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	being part of a massed choir rooted in skills	
		singing assemblies—
	development.	cpd through
		modelling and
	School has a Sparkyard subscription, which	coaching.
	can be accessed by all teachers.	
	School sing at times of celebration and massed events.	
Listoning		Classes to respond to
Listening	2 year listening curriculum planned to	Classes to respond to
	expose children to a wide range of genres,	current theme/genre
	historical periods, music from different	through activities in
	places and different instrumental sounds.	class. Display in floor
		book.
	Each half term there is a theme/ genre	
	family focus. Music is played on entry to	
	whole-school assemblies and is discussed	
	accordingly. The composers show a balance	
	between male/female and a diverse range	
	of composers/musician.	
Performance		Music outcomes to
opportunities	Music/Drama performances – EY Christmas	be shared and
	Story for Families, Y1/2 - Christmas nativity	performed either live
	to parents, Y3 – Christingle service for	to parents/SLT/other
		pupils or recorded

	families, Y5 – Christmas performance with families, Y6 Leavers production. Little Voices, Young Voices – performances throughout the year eg singing with local care home, performing at local Music festival, singing at church fate, performing at O2 in largest children's choir.	and shared with families via the website.
Resources	High quality instruments (tuned and untuned). Enough resources for children to make own choices for sound and play own tuned instruments to develop skills e.g. one ukulele per child. Reading corner to encourage reading around subjects.	Displays to support learning – clear elements board with appropriate language, skills board to identify learning for session, rhythm display with school terminology, staff notation with pitch names, graphic notation ideas, ukulele chord diagrams etc.
Communicating with parents	Music at Sharples Primary School on school website https://www.sharples-	Encourage visits into school to share learning outcomes.

		pri.bolton.sch.uk/music-at-sharples-primary-school/ Facebook/Weduc updates. Weekly school newsletter. Music award at the end of Year 6 to celebrate outstanding individual achievement, parents attend the awards ceremony.	
	Annual action plan	Each year areas identified to move music on and maintain high priority.	See action plan.
Co-curricular Beyond the classroom	Instrumental learning	Instrumental group lessons available through Rock Steady tuition. This is subsidised for PPG children. Through this, children receive weekly solo/ensemble training in their instrument. Children perform in their bands in a whole-school concert at the end of each term. Children have opportunity to learn a variety of instruments in music specialist led lessons throughout Years 1-6.	Performance opportunities embedded within school to showcase outcomes e.g. Christmas/summer showcase.

Vocal	Specialist workshops throughout the year e.g. Samba workshop to celebrate World Music Day. Inclusive provision with instrument adaptations, 1:1 learning as appropriate. Sharples school choir – lunchtime choir for children in KS2. Inclusive and open to all, adult provision offered for any pupils who need 1:1 support. Choir take part in numerous performance opportunities such as Christmas care home performances, Bolton School's Music Festival.	Change timings for choir practice to encourage a larger uptake. Change name to encourage more attendees? Attending Young Voices with choir in
Ensemble	Rock Steady tuition- paid rock ensemble where children can learn to sing or play drums, electric/bass guitar and keyboard. Y2 recorder club- lunchtime club led by Year	Feb 25. Introduce 'Ukulele Jam'- lunchtime ukulele club to build on skills developed in class.
	1 teacher.	Look into orchestra ensemble for G&T pupils.

	Musical experiences	Live performances	All children visit the theatre to watch live performances e.g. Christmas Pantomime. Opportunity to perform in a range of venues – e.g. choir perform at Victoria Hall, local care homes and national venues such as Young Voices at Coop-arena Manchester. Christmas Productions for both KS1/EYFS and KS2. Spring show for KS1 and EYFS. Live recital from Bolton Music Service.	Children to attend live music in concert halls.
		Career pathways	Continue identify music careers through Aspirations Curriculum and live performance opportunities.	Signpost parents to opportunities outside of school.
			Where are we now?	What will we do next?
Leadership	Head teacher/ governors	A supportive head teacher who understands the value of music education and encourages musical discussion with the pupils.		

	Subject Leader	Well-qualified subject leader and music specialist. Lots of independent reading of research and thinking.	Subject leader to attend music hub meetings.
	Teachers	Supportive teachers who understand the importance of music and will ask for support in ensure the best for their pupils.	Continue CPD for class teachers through staff meeting.
	Pupils	Pupils who enjoy music lessons and value enrichment opportunities. They say: 'Music is a way to express your feelings' 'Music can bring happiness' 'Music is a fun way to use your imagination and express yourself'	Music ambassadors to evaluate and inform planning. Music ambassadors to act as Singing Leaders- support in singing assemblies etc.
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Communities and Partnership	Bolton Music Hub – developing working relationship. Taking advantage of live recitals for school/Music festival resources etc. Links with local care homes- performances at Christmas etc.		Maintain relationship with Bolton Music service. Attend hub meetings for subject leads.

Find more
opportunities to
perform within the
community, invite
community members
in to perform to our
children.