Music development plan summary: Cupernham Junior School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026/27
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Name of the school music lead	Miss Chloe Humby
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N/A
Name of local music hub	Hampshire Music Service
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

Part A: Curriculum music

Music Curriculum Summary

At our school, all pupils receive a broad and progressive music education that follows the National Curriculum Objectives for Key Stage 2. The curriculum develops pupils' skills in performing, composing, listening and appraising music, while building their understanding of musical elements such as pitch, rhythm, tempo, dynamics, timbre and notation. To ensure progression across the school, we use carefully sequenced vocabulary and skills progression documents that support pupils in developing their musical knowledge and understanding year on year. Information about our curriculum, including provision for pupils with SEND and how we ensure accessibility for all learners, can be found on our music page.

In Years 3 and 6, pupils access the Oak National Academy Music Curriculum, delivered by class teachers. The Oak National Academy Music Curriculum develops pupils' understanding of musical concepts through practical music-making, including vocal work and the use of untuned percussion. Pupils learn to read and use musical notation, create and refine their own compositions, listen critically to a range of music, and work collaboratively in ensemble settings, building musicianship, creativity and confidence through a carefully sequenced programme of learning.

In Years 4 and 5, pupils participate in Hampshire Music Service's *Listen2Me* programme, where they learn three different instruments across the academic year. The programme provides specialist whole-class instrumental tuition, giving pupils regular opportunities to develop practical performance skills on a range of instruments. Alongside strengthening technique and musical fluency, pupils build their understanding of notation, composition, listening and ensemble performance, culminating in concert opportunities that develop confidence, teamwork and a sense of achievement as musicians.

Our music curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum. Through singing, instrumental learning, listening, composing and performing, pupils are encouraged to develop creativity, self-expression and an appreciation of a wide range of musical styles and traditions. We work in partnership with Hampshire Music Service to enhance curriculum provision and provide high-quality instrumental teaching and performance opportunities for our pupils.

Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Aims

By the end of Key Stage 2, pupils should be taught to:

- Play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts using their voices and musical instruments.
- Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes.
- Listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.
- Use and understand musical notation.
- Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music from different traditions and great composers.

- Develop an understanding of the history of music.

Part B: Co-curricular music

We are committed to providing opportunities for pupils to further develop their musical skills beyond the classroom. Through our partnership with Hampshire Music Service, pupils can access weekly instrumental tuition on a range of instruments, including drums, guitar, keyboard, violin and woodwind instruments. Tuition is available during the school day and enables pupils to develop technical proficiency, musical understanding and performance confidence. Financial support is available for eligible pupils, including those in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, helping to ensure that all children have access to high-quality music education.

In addition to instrumental tuition, pupils can participate in a range of extra-curricular performing arts opportunities. External providers offer musical theatre and dance clubs, giving children the opportunity to develop their performance skills, creativity and confidence while working collaboratively with others. These activities complement the skills developed within the curriculum and provide further opportunities for pupils to engage with music and the performing arts.

Pupils are encouraged to continue their musical development through regular practice and participation in performances. Our partnership with Hampshire Music Service provides access to specialist music teaching and supports pupils in making sustained progress on their chosen instruments. Information regarding lesson costs, remissions and eligibility for funded tuition is available from the school office and Hampshire Music Service.

Part C: Musical experiences

Throughout the academic year, pupils have access to a wide range of musical experiences that enrich and extend their learning. Weekly singing assemblies provide regular opportunities for all pupils to develop vocal skills and perform together, fostering a shared love of music across the school. These assemblies are closely linked with our monthly *Musician of the Month* celebrations, where pupils explore a diverse range of musicians, musical styles and genres, listening to and engaging with music from different cultures, periods and traditions.

Pupils also have opportunities to participate in and enjoy live musical performances. Children in Years 4 and 5 showcase their learning through termly *Listen2Me* concerts delivered in partnership with Hampshire Music Service, performing to audiences of parents, carers and peers. The school additionally hosts an annual Carol Concert involving pupils from across the school, while Year 6 pupils take a leading role in the end-of-year production, which provides opportunities for singing, acting and performance.

To broaden pupils' cultural experiences, children attend visits to local secondary schools to watch musical and theatrical productions, allowing them to experience high-quality live performances and gain insight into future performing arts opportunities.

These musical experiences are supported through our partnership with Hampshire Music Service and are designed to inspire participation, develop confidence and foster a lifelong appreciation of music. Information regarding specific events, participation and any associated costs is shared with families throughout the year.

In the future

Over the next academic year, we will continue to build on the strengths of our music provision by increasing opportunities for pupil autonomy within lessons, enabling children to make more creative decisions when performing, composing and responding to music. We will further develop opportunities for pupils to lead aspects of their own musical learning and apply their skills independently across a range of musical contexts.

We are also committed to expanding pupils' access to live musical experiences. This will include exploring additional performance opportunities, visits to live music events and partnerships with local musicians and organisations, helping pupils to deepen their understanding and appreciation of music beyond the classroom. Alongside this, we aim to broaden our extra-curricular offer so that more children can participate in musical activities and develop their interests outside lesson time.

A key priority will be maintaining and strengthening the high levels of progression already established across the school. Through ongoing refinement of our curriculum, vocabulary progression and skills progression documents, we will ensure that all pupils continue to build their musical knowledge, understanding and practical skills in a coherent and progressive way from Year 3 to Year 6.