

# Music development plan summary: Federation of Priddy and St. Lawrence's C of E Primary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Annabel Smout
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Elissa Lodge
Name of local music hub	Somerset Music Services

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.

At the Federation of Priddy and St. Lawrence's Primary School, music follows the national curriculum and is taught weekly in all classes, including Reception. The Kapow music scheme is used by all teachers to deliver a high-quality music curriculum, following a rolling programme. Children build on previous learning through Kapow, which ensures a clear progression in music. Our music curriculum is also heavily influenced by links to key events in our local area – i.e. Priddy Folk Festival.

All children learn an instrument, delivered by a music specialist from Somerset Music Services. Weekly singing assemblies give children a chance to learn and perform songs led by the music leads at each site. Children perform, listen to, review, and evaluate music across a range of historical periods, genres, styles and traditions, including the works of the great composers and musicians.

Time for music is approximately given an hour per week for each class. However, we are flexible with this and depending on various times in the year, there may be time when music teaching increases – i.e. Nativity / KS2 productions.

Time allocations may include:

- ✓ Music whole class curriculum lessons
- ✓ Worship through singing in collective worship time (in church or school)
- ✓ Set key events during the year: Harvest Church Service, Nativity, Easter Church Service, KS2 production, Leavers' Service, Leaver's assembly

We are a fully inclusive school. Music lessons are adapted to meet the needs of all children, whether these are specific learning needs or physical needs. We adapt instruments and tasks to ensure all children access the learning. Our extra-curricular activities and instrumental lessons are offered to all children.

Year 1 and 2 have the opportunity to learn the Djembe for a term with weekly lessons, free of charge. Lessons are provided by Somerset Music Service

Year 3 and 4 have the opportunity to learn the Ukulele for a term with weekly lessons, free of charge. Lessons are provided by Somerset Music Service.

Year 5 and 6 have the opportunity to learn a brass instrument for a term with weekly lessons, free of charge. Lessons are provided by Somerset Music Service. All children, therefore, have access to learning a musical instrumental.

Other documents that should be read alongside this that are also published on the school website, under the curriculum tab:

<https://www.priddyandstlawrences.co.uk/music/>

As part of our OPAL Play at lunch there are designated musical areas at both school sites for children to explore a range of musical instruments independently or as a group.

## **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.

Our Federation works in partnership with local music specialists to offer extracurricular music tuition on a number of instruments. This includes piano and violin tuition. Tuition for these instruments are charged by independent music specialists. This year, we have secured funding to enable an extra-curricular ensemble group to be taught the violin free of charge for a term.

In addition to this, there is a thriving school choir, led by our music lead, consisting of approximately 25 children from Key Stage 2. Children are not charged to be part of the school choir, which is an extra-curricular activity. To ensure parents/carers are well-informed, there is information on extra-curricular music opportunities emailed to parents 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.

All children take part in weekly singing through praise assemblies, led by our music leads at each site.

During this academic year, various musical performances and other opportunities will take place:

### *Autumn Term*

All children across our federation will take part in a Harvest service at church

All children across our federation will take part in a Christmas service at church

EYFS and KS1 children will perform a Christmas nativity to parents.

Years 3 and 4, and years 5 and 6 will learn a number of Christmas songs in preparation for performing at Wells Cathedral Christmas Carol Concert

All children will watch a live pantomime performance in a theatre

Reception children will perform Christmas songs at our local residential home.

All children invited to attend a Flash Mob musical experience in Wells.

### *Spring Term*

All children across our federation will take part in an Easter service at church

Summer Term:

Musical performance by the children at Priddy Folk Festival

Violin ensemble performance at Priddy Folk Festival

Whole school/KS2 summer performance

## 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:

Increasing links with Secondary schools, offering opportunities for their pupils to work alongside ours in choirs and other musical ensembles and to demonstrate to our year 6 pupils the musical opportunities available to them at secondary school.

Offering enrichment opportunities through an 'Arts Week' by developing links with the wider community and the arts industry.

Further develop performance engagement in extra-curricular music for Pupil Premium and SEND children.

To increase the use of purposeful ICT software in composition tasks to further musical skills and progression throughout the school.

Looking for more opportunities for children to perform outside of school in the community.