Music development plan summary: Orchard Lea Infant

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-27
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Name of the school music lead	Amy Humby
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Hampshire Music Education Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Rocky 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.

The planned curriculum for music can be found on the year group overviews on the school website. Please click on these links to find out more:

Pupils have 6 hours of music lessons every other half term. Pupils have music lessons delivered by their class teachers and they follow the specialised music scheme of Charanga. By following this scheme there is clear progression from Year R to Year 6 and all children have the opportunity to sing together and play the glockenspiel as well as untuned instruments. Year 2 pupils have an hour per week of music lessons which are delivered by music specialists from Hampshire Music Service. Through this teaching, the children learn a new musical instrument per term which may include the drums, keyboard, brass or ukulele for example.

Within all year groups the children have the opportunity to sing songs as part of an ensemble in their music lessons as well as with the whole school during a weekly singing assembly.

All children access the music curriculum and adaptations are made to support children with SEND. Please see our SEND policy for further details:

https://www.orchardlea-jun.hants.sch.uk/Other-Useful-Info/SEN-Equalities/

Part B: Extra-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.

Pupils have the opportunity to attend a school choir and they have enjoyed performing to parents for example at the Christmas Fayre. This club is accessible to all pupils.

Children have the opportunity to take part in Rock Steady music peripatetic lessons and perform to their peers and parents. Children entitled to free school meals are encouraged to join using a funding scheme.

Part C: Music Performances

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.

Below at the opportunities our pupils get to perform:

- All children sing regularly in assembly and have a weekly singing assembly.
- Children who are in the choir can perform to parents at the end of term and during events such as the Christmas Fayre.
- Pupils in Year 2 perform, as part of an ensemble, every term
- Pupils may perform songs to parents as part of their parent exhibitions, and Rock Steady pupils perform termly to their parents and other children.
- All pupils have the opportunity to perform in a nativity play.
- Y2 pupils are able to perform to parents in their Leaver's assembly.
- Pupils taking lessons from Rock Steady have the chance to perform to parents once a term.

In the future

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

Curriculum Music

- Continue to develop improvisation and composition.

Extra-Curricular Music

- Increase the opportunity for children to perform.
- Explore opportunities for the school choir to perform.

Further information (optional)

We are part of the Hampshire Music Education Hub and the Lead School for primary schools in the south is St. Peter's Catholic Primary School, Winchester.

The Department for Education publishes a guide for parents and young people on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.