

Music Development Plan 2024/2025

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/2025
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Villiers Primary School
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Sue Phillips
Name of local music hub	Wolverhampton Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

Weekly Classroom Music Lessons

Our Music curriculum has been carefully planned and regularly monitored and evaluated by our music lead, who is a music specialist with a degree in Music.

Our inclusive music lessons are planned and taught by class teachers in every year group, every week across the year. These lessons are timetabled for 1 hour a week. Class teachers use the scheme of work (Charanga) to plan their weekly music lessons. The Model Music Curriculum informs our whole music curriculum, and the Music National Curriculum objectives are followed.

In Early Years, the musical areas- Listening & Appraising; Singing and performing; Composing; and Exploring & Improvising are planned for, which are an important part of every child's early development. Our Reception children also cover Singing and performing through their EYFS Production in Autumn term.

Our KS1 pupils are also taught by class teachers. Our KS1 music lessons give our pupils the opportunity to use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs

and speaking chants and rhymes, play tuned and untuned instruments musically, listen with concentration and understand a range of high-quality live and recorded music, experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music. Our Year 2 children are also taught to play the recorder within their classroom music lessons, covering all areas of the curriculum.

Our KS2 pupils play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression, improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music, listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory, use and understand staff and other musical notations, appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians, develop an understanding of the history of music. Our year 4 pupils are also taught to play the ukulele within their classroom music lessons and this is taught by staff at Wolverhampton Music Hub.

Technology

Music technology is taught in Upper KS2 and this is taught through Garage Band on iPads. Staff make video recordings at the start of new units and the end of units in order to record progress and assess the children.

Wolverhampton Music Hub offer free CPD to our Music Lead and all classroom staff.

Developments

- Music lead to continue to monitor music lessons and offer support when needed.
- Train New staff
- Use pupil voice to develop music lessons.
- Music Lead to continue to receive CPD from Wolverhampton Music Hub.

Resources

We are lucky enough to have a large number of high quality tuned and untuned musical instruments. We have a set of glockenspiels that can be wheeled from the music room to each classroom when needed. These glockenspiels are used in classes during most music lessons, where children learn to read musical notation, improvise and compose their own music. When a child starts learning a musical instrument in Year 4, they are able to take it home to practise every day until they leave in Year 6. These instruments are owned by Villiers Primary School and are maintained by our Music Lead who has received training on how to fix many of the instrument types.

Developments

- Audit musical instruments and order replacements when needed.

Inclusive Music Lessons

Our music curriculum is very inclusive and reasonable adjustments are made in a range of different ways including:

- The use of different instruments e.g. chime bars
- The use of ear defenders
- The use of notation
- Pictorial notation
- Bronze, silver and gold challenges

Developments

- For the Music Lead to monitor inclusive music lessons throughout the year.

Extra Curricular Music

Peripatetic Music Lessons

Our children from Year 4 to Year 6 are offered **free** Instrumental lessons. We offer our children to learn the clarinet, violin, tenor horn and trumpet. The clarinet is taught by our own music lead- Mrs Phillips. The violin is taught by a private music teacher- Mrs Plummer. The trumpet and tenor horn is taught by Mr Kinsey from Wolverhampton Music Hub. The school pays for these lessons and children interested are selected by audition. Children learning an instrument have weekly instrument lessons and many progress well and are entered for ABRSM music exams. We have a very high success rate when pupils are entered for exams.

All children who are looked after children are given the choice of 20 musical instruments at Wolverhampton Music Hub and can receive individual instrumental lessons on a weekly timetable.

Developments

- To promote children learning instruments to our Year 4 children.
- To increase the number of pupils being entered for exams.
- To purchase more musical instruments in order for more pupils to take on instruments.
- To introduce Villiers music medals for different standards on instruments.

Ensembles

We give our children many opportunities throughout the school year to play, sing and perform in ensembles, some of which perform out in the community. These ensembles include our school choir, recorder groups and a range of mixed instrumental groups.

Developments

- To increase the ensemble opportunities further.

Partnerships

St Leonard's church

We are very lucky to be able to use St Leonard's church for a number of our music events throughout the year.

Wolverhampton Music Service

We have very strong links with Wolverhampton Music Service and have worked hard on building relationships over the last couple of years. We take full advantage of many opportunities that the Music service offers up including CPD opportunities, live performances and instrumental lessons. Our children often take advantage of the service by going to events and also joining after school clubs.

Developments

To continue to make new relationships with staff at Wolverhampton Music Hub and to continue to take advantage of opportunities.

Performance Opportunities

Our pupils are given many opportunities to perform to each other and parents live in class, in concerts, in assemblies and productions. In addition to this each year group has a class assembly. Our Nursery children have a Nursery Sing-along assembly in the school hall, Reception perform their own version of the Nativity in the school hall, Year 1 have a Diwali assembly, Year 2 have a Graduation assembly, Year 3 have a Harvest assembly at St. Leonard's Church, Year 4 have a Easter assembly, Year 5 have a Chinese New Year assembly and Year 6 perform a Musical.

We have a well-established school choir who perform regularly in and out of school. They perform at the Harvest Festival, Easter Service and Christmas Service at St

Leonards church. They also perform out in the community throughout the year at a range of different events.

Our pupils also have the opportunity to listen to a range of live music throughout the year where they we listen to a range of genres from live classical music to modern pop music.

Developments

- Continue to look for performance opportunities to listen to live a range of live music.
- Develop even more opportunities for our instrumentalist pupils to perform.
- To look for more opportunities for community work. E.g. performing at local care homes, local hospitals.

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.

Musical performances

At Villiers Primary School we are very lucky to have a number of musical performances throughout the school year. These performances are always of a very high standard that we are very proud of.

Year group	Name of Performance	Charge
Nursery	Nursery Sing-along	Free
Reception	Christmas Nativity	50p / ticket
Year 1	Diwali Performance	Free

Year 2	Graduation Performance	Free
Year 2	Recorder Music Concert	Free
Year 3	Harvest Festival	Free
Year 4	Easter Service	Free
Year 4	Ukelele Music Concert	Free
Year 5	Chinese New Year Performance	Free
Year 6	Musical Production	£2/ ticket
Year 6	Leavers Performance	Free
Choir Year 4-6	Bilston Market Regular playground performances Harvest Festival Diwali Performance Easter Service Christmas Service Regular Assemblies	Free
Year 5	Polyphone Performance	£750 for school to pay. Performance is free

Instrumentalists	Easter Service Christmas Service Regular Assemblies	Free
KS1	Wolverhampton Music Hub Performance (Live Music)	Free
KS2	Wolverhampton Music Hub Performance (Live Music)	Free
All Year groups	Villiers Got Talent	Free

All performances that have a small charge will be 50% off for PP families. We are supported by Wolverhampton Music Service for our Ukelele and brass lessons and all individual instrumental lessons. The staff from the music service also support us with relevant music concerts.

A range of songs are taught in assemblies including repertoire from Sing-Up and a range of hymns. These songs are taught by the Music Lead and practised in class with class teachers.

In the future

As always, we are always looking of ways to improve music further. This is based on pupil voice, staff voice, parent voice but also regular monitoring.

Development	When?
To promote instrumental opportunities for Year 4 children.	Autumn 1

To train new staff. To deliver CPD to new staff.	Autumn 1
To audit musical instruments	Autumn 1
For Music Lead to purchase new production for Reception pupils.	Autumn 1
To replace musical instruments	Autumn 1
To build new relationships with staff from Wolverhampton Music Hub.	Autumn 1
To plan more opportunities to perform more opportunities to perform in the community.	Autumn 2
To plan more opportunities for live music in school and in the local community	Autumn 2
To plan more opportunities in the school calendar for musical performances.	Autumn 2
For children to perform in more ensembles.	Spring 1
For Music Lead to purchase new production for Year 6 pupils.	Spring 2
Introduce Villiers music badges for different music standards on instruments.	Spring 2
To enter more children for music exams than previous academic year.	Summer 1
For Year 6 to perform new production.	Summer 2

