

# Music development plan summary: Beacon View Primary Academy

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024- 2025
Date this summary was published	June 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Catherine Williams
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Catherine Williams
Name of local music hub	Portsmouth Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	United Learning Choir Church (Portsmouth Diocese)

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.

Curriculum music is taught in one 40 minute slot per week for each key stage across the academic year. Half of these lessons are listening, appraising and singing and the other half are taught by a specialist music teacher from the Portsmouth Music Hub where children are taught to play a range of instruments and perform as part of an ensemble.

Our music curriculum is well balanced and inclusive to all, ensuring all pupils have the opportunity to experience a wide range of instruments, pieces of music and musicians.

Teachers use the Portsmouth Music Hub website to select appropriate songs to teach ensuring suitable vocal ranges as well as complexity for the age groups.

The [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021), non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3, informs the planning of music.

## 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.

Outside of music lessons, KS2 pupils have the opportunity to join a choir at lunchtime where they learn a range of songs to sing with a specialist teacher from the Portsmouth Music Hub. These groups will have the opportunity to perform both in person and via recording and shared with the community.

Choir Church is available for KS1 and 2 pupils to attend with children from the local schools with opportunities to perform to parents.

Pupils in KS1 participate in Infant Voices where they learn a series of songs including a school solo and perform these with and to local schools.

## 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.

Throughout the year there are regular opportunities for children to participate and perform musically.

EYFS and KS1 perform the Nativity which has a strong emphasis on telling the story through song.

KS2 perform carols in the church to parents.

Year 4 have a term of additional brass tuition through the Portsmouth Music Hub, resulting in a group of pupils going to perform at the Guildhall.

KS1 pupils sing with local schools during Infant Voices

## Future development in music

Next year at Beacon View, we will continue to monitor and evaluate the curriculum, ensuring progress throughout the different strands and across the key stages.

There will be greater opportunities to perform both vocally and instrumentally musically to the school community including parents.

### **Further Information**

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.

<https://curriculum.unitedlearning.org.uk/Curriculum>

<https://www.portsmouthmusichub.org/>