

# Music development plan summary: *Lyppard Grange Primary School*

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 – 2026
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Name of the school music lead	Sian Edwards/ Amelia Harris
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N/A
Name of local music hub	Severn Arts
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Rocksteady Music School

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, extra-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 Lyppard Grange Primary School we are committed to giving children the opportunity to develop as musicians, whilst also developing curiosity for the subject. We provide a rich and varied curriculum in order to provide children with the skills and knowledge required of successful musicians. Children will leave Lyppard Grange Primary School with an appreciation for the joy of music, a love for singing and playing musical instruments and having had a range of musical opportunities and experiences.

Our [music curriculum](#) covers the requirements of the National Curriculum and the government's vision to enable all children and young people in England 'to enable all children and young people to learn to sing, play an instrument and create music together, and have the opportunity to progress their musical interests and talents, including professionally.' Music teaching equates to at least one hour per week over the course of the year.

Our school curriculum for music is supported by the Kapow scheme of work for Music, ensuring good progression of skills and knowledge. This ensures children develop a secure understanding of the interrelated dimensions of music (musicianship) through:

- Listening, appraising and responding to music
- Singing
- Composing
- Understanding and exploring notation
- Performing
- Exploring a wide range of music from a variety of historical periods, styles and genres

In all year groups children have opportunities to learn to play a variety of instruments including glockenspiels, keyboards, recorders, ukuleles and a range of percussion instruments. In Year 5 all children are taught how to play an orchestral instrument through expert tutorage from our local music hub, Severn Arts. They learn to read traditional staff notation as well as how to play in a group, giving performances throughout the year. Music and singing are also used across the curriculum to support learning of key facts for example, times tables songs, water cycle songs in Science continent songs in Geography.

Within EYFS Reception, music is an integral part of children's learning. Rhythm and rhyme support the teaching of early reading, writing and mathematics. Children have access to musical instruments and a stage as part of their continuous provision, and learn a wide range of songs and rhymes developing their performance skills. In line with the EYFS Statutory Framework 2024, it is our aim that children will be able to 'sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs' and 'perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.'

All pupils, regardless of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, access the music curriculum and extra curricular opportunities. Adaptations are made to support all pupils to access our music provision.

As part of the Severn Arts Music Hub, we are also a Music Mark School.

## **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.

All children in Key Stage 2 are given the opportunity to begin taking instrumental lessons in school. Lessons are paid for termly but school arranges for these to be paid in instalments. The first instrument is fully funded for children in receipt of Pupil Premium Grant. These lessons are provided by highly skilled peripatetic teachers from Severn Arts. There are a range of instruments available for children to learn including,

piano, singing, flute, clarinet, oboe, saxophone, violin, cello, brass and guitar. We strongly support those having instrumental lessons by celebrating their successes and giving them many performance opportunities, including 'Musical Showcases' which take place in the evenings and parents attend. Children are also encouraged to take graded musical exams. These achievements are celebrated with the whole school. School facilitates musical instrument loan via Severn Arts; this is fully funded for children in receipt of Pupil Premium Grant. The children have full ownership of the instrument enabling them to practice at home. School also owns a set of guitars, as these are unavailable to hire via Severn Arts, for children who do not have access to one.

Children from EYFS to Year 6 have the opportunity to take part in Rocksteady Music School lessons. Children form bands, choose their music and perform their piece live in concert to pupils, staff and parents three times per year.

We also have a range of extra-curricular music clubs on offer at Lyppard Grange which give children the chance to develop their musical skills and create further opportunities for performing to an audience.

- Young Voices Choir – Years 3-6. £20 to cover the cost of a t-shirt.
- Christmas Choir – Years 3-6. No cost.
- Orchestra – Year group specific. No cost.

Pupils are encouraged to attend Severn Arts musical groups beyond school such as 'Lift Off!', 'Music Centre' and 'Worcestershire Youth Orchestra'. These take place in the evenings and on weekends.

## 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.

Music is an integral part of whole school assemblies. During our weekly singing assemblies, children are taught how to warm up their voices and learn how to sing in rounds, parts and harmony to sing a range of songs. This repertoire of songs is utilised throughout the week. A new 'Musician of the Month' is introduced in whole school assemblies. Musicians chosen are from a range of historical periods, cultures and genres. The children continue to listen the music each day when walking into assembly to build familiarity and appreciation.

There are multiple opportunities for children to perform throughout their seven years at Lyppard Grange Primary School including:

- Whole year group productions in EYFS, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6

- Whole school performances for Harvest and Christmas
- Year 6 performance for Remembrance Day
- Young Voices concert at Resorts World Arena, Birmingham – optional for Key Stage 2
- Christmas Choir – optional for Key Stage 2 with performances at Worcester Victorian Fayre, the local area and local charities
- Rocksteady – optional for children from EYFS – Year 6
- Musical Showcases for all children in receipt of musical instrument tuition inside or outside of school
- Big Sing – for all children in Year 3
- Year group orchestras to accompany productions

There are also opportunities for children to see music being performed live throughout their time at Lyppard Grange:

- EYFS visit a musical production of a story, such as The Gruffalo. Fully funded for children eligible for Pupil Premium Grant.
- Key Stage Two children are given the opportunity to attend a live performance by The City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra at Birmingham Symphony Hall. Fully funded for children eligible for Pupil Premium Grant.
- Year 6 children attend a live West End musical as part of their residential visit. Partially funded for children eligible for Pupil Premium Grant
- Termly Rocksteady concerts performed by children to the whole school. Free of charge.
- Annual instrumental tuition promotion assembly performed by Severn Arts and school staff and children to the whole school.
- Musical Showcases performed by the children to an audience of other children and family members. Free of charge.
- Key Stage Two children attend high school productions. Free of charge.

## In the future

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

- Introduce a wider range of music from different cultures, genres and periods of history into curriculum lessons and Musician of the Month assemblies.
- Increase the number of children learning musical instruments.
- Increase opportunities to listen to a range of live music.