Music Development Plan Summary: Gotham Primary School



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	Janette Allen
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N/A
Name of local music hub	Nottinghamshire Music Education Hub
	Singing Hub: Orston Primary School
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	MLC Academy

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.

Music at Gotham Primary School is taught by class teachers, who deliver weekly lessons of approximately an hour in KS2. In FS2 and KS1, children have a lesson of around 40 minutes and additional singing or rhythm work during the week. Lessons are planned using the Sing Up scheme of work and work to embed the knowledge within our Music Progression – this can be found on the school website.

All children are involved in class music lessons, they are fully inclusive.

The Nottinghamshire Music Education Hub deliver whole class music tuition to a KS2 class each year. Currently, year 4 and 5 are learning to play the toot.

Each week children take part in a singing assembly and another assembly celebrating musical artists. This assembly links with developing an understanding of British Values and the protected characteristics.

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.

At Gotham Primary School, we work with MLC Music Academy who deliver one-to-one drum, guitar and piano lessons to children of any age who attend our school. This company also works within our feeder secondary school so children can continue learning with the same teacher as they transition into secondary school. This is a paid activity for all children, details can be found through the school website.

Across the school year, we have a range of extra-curricular music opportunities e.g. KS2 choir, KS1 recorder lessons, violin lessons.

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.

During the year, we have a range of musical experiences. This academic year, we have an FS2 and year 1 nativity performance, year 2 and 3 nativity performance, year 4, 5 and 6 end of year show. All children in school are able to watch the performances of other year groups.

The class who has been learning a musical instrument in class perform to the whole school.

We also sing at the Gotham Christmas Market light switch on and this year we have a group singing at the Rushcliffe Borough Council Christmas event at Rushcliffe Arena.

In the future

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

- We hope to organise showcase performances for all children in school learning an instrument.
- To work alongside other schools in live musical opportunities.
- Work more with the local singing hub. Previously, we have joined Christmas singing events online.