

Music development plan summary: Netherton C of E Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
Date this summary was published	March 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	March 2027
Name of the school music lead	Judie Browne
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Dudley Performing Arts
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Our school curriculum is available online for each year group. This can be found using the following link: [Netherton CofE Primary School - Music](#)

Pupils with SEND and those with disabilities are invited to join in with every music lesson and can access the same curriculum that is offered to all pupils.

We offer a bespoke curriculum that has been designed and developed to suit the needs and interests of our pupils. It offers a progressive scheme of work based on the National Curriculum, which covers the relevant skills for each area of Music and is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021), non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3.

Music is taught weekly throughout the year, in alternate half terms. Therefore, each year group will undertake three units of music per year.

All children in Year 5 and 6, begin a whole-class instrumental programme for two full years delivered by teachers from the local Music Education Hub (Dudley performing Arts). They learn to play the guitar or brass instrument weekly for the whole academic year and then continue with this programme in year 6. The brass instruments they play are either the trumpet, the cornet or the euphonium.

A weekly singing assembly takes place for all pupils to learn our worship songs and prepare for termly festive assemblies and celebrations.

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.

We offer 1:1 music tuition to pupils who are looked after using LAC funding.

Pupils in Years 5 and 6 perform the instruments that they have learned in an end of year concert.

We offer support to our community by visiting local residential areas with our school choir at key celebration times.

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.

Each year group performs songs in their own values assembly to parents and the rest of the school. This is rehearsed during the school term in addition to their music curriculum.

Weekly singing assembly and weekly worship songs are rehearsed during daily school worship time.

Our children visit two of our local churches during festive periods to sing to an audience of parents, local residents and church teams. They also listen to a live band whilst at church. These events are all free.

Pupils in EYFS and KS1 perform in yearly Christian festive music events such as the nativity at Christmas, Harvest Festival, Easter celebrations and end of year celebrations.

Pupils in Year 6 perform their end of Year Musical Production at the local high school for the whole school and to parents. There is a fee to parents for this event.

In KS2, pupils perform in an end of year music and dance showcase to parents to showcase the musical instruments that have been learned throughout the year.

At Christmas, all pupils have the opportunity to attend the Christmas Pantomime at the Grand Theatre Wolverhampton. There is a fee for this.

In the future

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

We would like to implement more opportunities for pupils to listen to live music from professional musicians throughout the year- especially in KS1.

For KS1 pupils to learn a musical instrument such as the recorder or be involved in a school choir.

Seek funding to support a school choir trip to be involved in the 'Young Voices' choir in 2027.