

Music development plan: Lapal 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	September 2025
Name of the school music lead	Sarah Wootton
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Sarah Wootton
Name of local music hub	Dudley Performing Arts West Midlands Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	C Sharp Music School

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.

To read in more detail about the provision music at Lapal Primary School, please visit our music curriculum page [Lapal Primary School Music Curriculum WEbsite](#)

Music is taught in class every week and is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021) and Early Years Development Matters

Lessons are taught by a music specialist for 1 hour per week. .

In Early Years children, experience singing and music making through whole class input and continuous provision. Percussion instruments, scarves and puppets are used to explore pulse, tempo, and pitch.

In Key Stages 1 and 2 teaching is supported by specialist planning and The BBC Ten Pieces planning. This musical learning is further supplemented by weekly whole school singing assemblies lasting 30 minutes. Children learn an instrument as a whole-class ensemble taught by music specialists

- Each half term children will alternate between an composition project based on a piece of music selected from BBC Ten Pieces and whole class ensemble instrument teaching. KS1 children learn to play the recorder. Lower KS2 children learn to play the Glockenspiel. Upper KS2 children learn to play the keyboard.

Music lessons are inclusive for all children with adaptations made to address children's needs, ie, noise reduction, enlarged notation. Colour notes for music notation are used in whole class music teaching.

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 Lapal Primary School, we currently offer individual and small-group lessons through C Sharp Music School. Teachers visit the school and teach children in our music area. Children have the opportunity to learn

- keyboard
- guitar
- violin
- voice

At Lapal children have many extra curricular opportunities to develop their love of music.

- We have a thriving whole school Choir which is open to all children and

rehearses at lunchtime.

- Our Ukulele 'Strum Troopers' group is a beginner ukulele club open to all children at lunchtime.
- Lapal Red Leaves orchestra meet on Thursdays after school and is open to children who are already learning to play an instrument to allow them to develop their skills and experience playing in an ensemble.
- During the summer term children can sign up to 'Busk' on the playground at lunchtime. This activity is led and managed by the children who are responsible for setting up instruments and the repertoire of music they perform.
- Children perform as musician of the week in singing assembly.

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.

Children will have the opportunity to perform this academic year.

- EYFS – Children perform in their Christmas Assembly
- KS1 – Children perform in Christmas production
- KS2 – Children perform in the Christmas Carol Concert at St. Peter's Church
- Choir perform at local Care homes Carol Singing
- Choir perform at Halesowen Carols Around The Christmas Tree
- EYFS - Perform at their Mother's Day Assembly
- Year 2 – Drumming workshop to support their study of Kenya
- KS1 – Perform at singing and play recorder at the Easter Bonnet Parade.
- Year 3 and 4 – Perform in musical theatre Production
- Year 6 - leaver's production
- Choir perform at The Earls High School music matters festival

In the future

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

- Develop further opportunities for children to experience live music
- Develop wider range of instruments offered to children through extra curricular activities based on their interests
- Maintain repair and update instruments as necessary

- Explore schemes of work for non-specialist teachers to support their teaching of music

Further information

C Sharp Music School - <https://www.csharpmusicschool.co.uk/>

Dudley Performing Arts [Home](#)

West Midlands Music Hub <https://westmidlandsmusic.org.uk/>