


Music Development Plan: Westmoor Development Action Plan 2024-25

Vision:

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Area		Action	Resourcing/next steps:	Staff Responsible	Complete (date)
Curriculum Music Vision: Our vision is to ensure that our curriculum is suited to the needs of all of the pupils and that all staff teaching music feel confident doing so. We aim to offer a progressive spiral curriculum which ensures all children make progress in music, which will continue as they move on to secondary school.		Carry out a skills audit of the staffs' CPD needs	Carry out audit in Autumn term	ZS	
		Look at the KS3 curriculum to ensure we are aware of where the next steps of musical progression are for the children	KS3 curriculum, time	ZS	
		Ensure all staff attend relevant Charanga Training	ZS to keep up to date with training schedule	ZS	
Progression Strategy 	Co-Curricular Vision: Our vision is to ensure small group/individual lessons are free of charge for those who can't afford to pay and that all	Set up a recorder club for Y 3/ 4 and a ukulele club for Y6 to ensure progression from wider opportunity lessons	Speak to staff/CL to set up club.	ZS and CL	
		Ensure there is a policy for those children who can't afford to pay for small group instrumental lessons	Speak to relevant Inclusion manager/SENCO/Head teacher	Inclusion manager/SENCO/Head teacher	

	pupils are given the opportunity to take part in a range of groups and choirs to extend their musical learning beyond the classroom.				
		Continue to attend events such as the Spring Sing provided by the Music Hub with the choir.	ZS to keep up to date with, and organise trips to, events	ZS	
	Enrichment Vision: Our vision is to make links with a range of organisations so that our pupils can access a range of live performances and feel able to bring their experiences back into school.	Further encourage pupils to attend the NTMEH musical opportunities	In classrooms, song practise and via see-saw/newsletters	ZS, SD	
		Seek further opportunities for parents/community groups to offer live performances in school	Liaise with parents and/or other schools e.g. Newcastle School for Boys	ZS, All staff	
		Compile audit of pupils' musical experiences out of school	ZS to provide audit for staff to complete. ZS/SD to encourage pupils to perform/talk about their musical experiences out of school during song practises.	ZS, All staff	

Music Development Plan: Overview of Current Provision at Westmoor Primary School

<p>Vision Statement</p>	<p>At Westmoor Primary, we encourage pupils to develop a love of music by performing on instruments, singing, composing and listening to a wide variety of music in our curriculum lessons. We strive to provide a range of other musical opportunities and to make sure that families know where to find out about activities that happen outside of school. Our long-term vision for music is that all pupils access high quality weekly music lessons and can progress in their learning by taking up an instrument or joining a musical group. All pupils will get the opportunity to take part in termly whole school musical performances and experience the joy of live performance both in and out of school. They will also get the chance to share their musical experiences and learning within the Westmoor Community.</p>
<p>Curriculum Music:</p> <p>Our vision is to ensure that our curriculum is suited to the needs of all of the pupils and that all staff teaching music feel confident doing so. We aim to offer a progressive spiral curriculum which ensures all children make progress in music, which will continue as they move on to secondary school.</p>	<p>Our music curriculum has been carefully mapped to ensure that the pupils receive rich and varied musical teaching throughout their time at our school. We use the Model Music Curriculum knowledge and skills to map progression throughout and use a wide range of teaching resources to deliver quality music lessons, including Charanga and Sing Up. This has been supported by our links with our local music hub.</p> <p>Pupils in Foundation Stage begin their musical journey using songs based on the Kodaly approach. They then move into KS1 and are taught the knowledge and skills of the Model Music Curriculum (MMC) using the teaching programme Charanga. In LKS2, the use of Charanga is continued, and they are also taught to play the recorder for a year using this resource. In Upper Key Stage 2, pupils have a music specialist teacher to teach them a range of units from Sing Up and BBC Ten Pieces. These pupils are also taught to play the ukulele for a year using Sing Up units.</p> <p>We ensure that all pupils learn a wide variety of stage appropriate songs using the Sing Up Singing Strategy songs within our music lessons.</p> <p>In addition, we have a weekly song practise where we learn a wide variety of songs. We also have a half termly 'Composer of the moment' where the pupils learn about a range of composers from the past to the present.</p>
<p>Co-Curricular:</p> <p>Our vision is to ensure small group/individual lessons are free of charge for those who can't afford to pay and that all pupils are given the opportunity to take part in a range of groups and choirs to extend their musical learning beyond the classroom.</p>	<p>We offer all children in from Year 3 onwards the opportunity to learn an instrument in a small group lesson. Currently, these instrument options are keyboard and guitar and are paid for by parents/carers. Looked After Children (LAC) are able to access these lessons free of charge, and it is our intention for the academic year 2024/25 that we will offer Pupil Premium pupils the same opportunity.</p> <p>We have a school choir with pupils from Year 3 onwards which meets weekly and who regularly perform at school, as well as at local events supported by the music hub.</p> <p>We hope to offer both recorder and ukulele clubs in the academic year 2024-25 to children who wish to further extend their classroom instrumental learning.</p>

Enrichment:

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Each year, we have a range of musical events in which all pupils are involved. In addition to our weekly song practises, we have an Easter assembly as well as Christmas performances in each phase which we perform to parents and carers. We have an annual 'Grandparents sing-a-long' where we learn songs around a theme and perform to the audience of grandparents.

Last year, we had parents and members from the community perform in assembly and inspire our pupils with their musical knowledge and skills. For the coming year, we hope to continue this, as well as inviting other schools to come and perform for us.

The school choir have an annual trip to perform on stage in front of friends and family as part of 'The Spring Sing' at the Whitley Bay Playhouse, as well as other opportunities such as singing days organised by the local music hub. They also go carol singing in the local community.

We have strong links with the local music hub, and regularly encourage our pupils to join in with their various free events via newsletters and messages home.

