

Music Development Plan: Plymouth Grove Primary School

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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. We will also look at what changes the school is planning for 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

At Plymouth Grove, we have timetabled curriculum music lessons for all children from nursery to Year 6. Music is delivered by a specialist music teacher in the music room who is in school Monday to Wednesday. Each lesson is between 45 minutes and an hour long. In addition, all children in years 1-6 take part in a weekly singing assembly in the school hall.

EYFS and Key Stage 1 have access to a wide range of tuned and untuned percussion instruments. Singing is an integral part of music lessons and children are encouraged to sing on their own as well as a class ensemble.

Key stage 2 children each learn a different musical instrument each year. Currently year 3 children learn to play the Ukulele. Year 4 children learn to play the keyboard. Year 5 children learn the Violin and year 6 children learn conga drums. Each year group is taught notation, composition, appraising and performance skills.

The Music room is well resourced with a wide range of percussion instruments available for KS1. The school now owns 30 Glockenspiels, meaning each child in year 2 has their own instrument.

Part B: Co-curricular music

Plymouth Grove has a thriving KS2 school choir. The choir meets weekly during lunchtime and performs regularly in school and also to the community. Last year the choir performed two concerts at the Whitworth Art Gallery. The choir also performed outside at the Gorton Christmas lights switch-on event. The choir has worked in collaboration with another school to perform a joint concert and performed to parents.

Part C: Musical experiences

Each year group performs an end-of-year concert for parents on the instrument they learn in KS2.

In KS1 the children perform a Christmas nativity to parents and the rest of the school. EYFS performs a Christmas concert and a spring assembly for parents. All children in year 6 perform an end of year musical to parents usually as an afternoon and evening performance. This often includes props, costumes and microphones.

The specialist class teacher is a multi-instrumentalist and regularly performs to the children. In the last academic year, some students from the RNCM performed an assembly with their instruments.

KS1 has a Chinese New Year performance involving traditional Chinese instruments, which takes place in the school hall.

The school takes part in Musical Mondays, organised by One Education Music service. These online concerts showcase different musical genres and musicians.

In the future

In the subsequent years to come, we will continue to build on our music progress by continuously re-evaluating the curriculum when there are changes in the national curriculum and model music curriculum. We are going to continue to develop children's composition skills and the recording of this. We will continue to develop our school choir and children's performance skills with the opportunities we have developed for them to perform throughout the year, with our local music hub and in the community.

