

Music Curriculum Impact Statement 2026



Overall synopsis / developments:

This year, we have looked at ways to enhance our Music curriculum across school and further developed assessment procedures in music. We have continued to use the 'progression snap-shot' lessons as an opportunity to capture progress in music. We have explored other music resources and have used these to make our music lessons exciting.

Children across school have enjoyed a number of opportunities to be involved with music performances this year, these include: the infant nativity, Y6 production, class assemblies, guitar concerts and BBA music band concerts. The choir has gone from strength to strength representing school at Blackburn Cathedral at a Christmas concert and taking part in our first ever Bishop Fraser Trust concert at the Victoria Hall. The choir was also selected to represent Blackburn and Darwen at a music concert at the prestigious Bridgewater Hall in Manchester in June.

I have worked closely this year with Bolton Music Service, attending meetings to keep up-to-date with developments in music. This year, our Y5 class began an exciting project with the English National Opera (ENO). This project was called 'Finish This' and it gave the children an opportunity to compose an ending to an opera. The children entered a competition and we were delighted when our school's composition was selected to be turned into an animation.

The ENO project was so successful that next year our Y4 and Y5 classes will take part in the project.

Music in the EYFS:

Music is part of daily life in Reception and is singing and music making enhances all areas of our curriculum. Children enjoy a weekly music lesson and opportunities to sing, dance, perform and play instruments daily both indoors and outdoors.

Data overview for Music

Percentage of children at the Expected Standard or better (age appropriate)

Reception	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Whole school
91%	100%	92%	94%

* Subject in EYFS = Expressive art and design

Highlights / Life in all its fullness:

- Working alongside the music link governor- Jeff Newman
- Working alongside the Y6 Music ambassadors
- Guitar concerts to parents
- Infant and Junior productions
- Choir performances at Blackburn Cathedral (Christmas), The Victoria Halls and The Bridgewater Hall.

Subject leadership - CPD, Monitoring and books: Learning walks and pupil voice led me to have a focus on personal development opportunities in music for all children this year and to look out for ways to further develop our curriculum offer. I have looked into developing our curriculum next year, using new resources.	
	Pupil voice (including ambassadors) The children have enjoyed the opportunity to engage with the English National Opera and to perform at a number of concerts.