

Music development plan summary: North Lakes 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	Mrs Emma Ross
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Cumbria music hub
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.

At North Lakes School we are passionate about music and strive to give our children as many opportunities as possible to watch live performances and take part in musical workshops.

We follow the model music curriculum using the Charanga scheme in our music lessons, which take place weekly and are 45minutes long. During these sessions, children learn a range of musical skills such as voice, percussion, tempo, rhythm and also gain an understanding of music genres. In lower Key Stage 2, children will have the opportunity to learn to play the recorder and then progress in upper Key Stage 2 to the flute.

Additionally, children take part in a 20 minute singing assembly each week where they learn various musical skills such as pitch, harmonies and singing in a round as an ensemble.

Your school should already publish the school curriculum for music for each year group online. This should also include how you are increasing access for disabled pupils and supporting pupils with special educational needs (SEND). Include a link to this information in this summary. For more, see the school information guidance on curriculum and on SEND for [maintained schools](#) and for [academies and free schools](#).

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information on any partnerships the school has to support curriculum music, such as with your local music hub or other music education organisations. If you are a music hub lead school, you can refer to this here.

Part B: Co-curricular music

At North Lakes school, we have a school choir which is run during a lunch time on a weekly basis. Children in Year 4,5 and 6 are offered places in the choir during the autumn term and children in Year 3 are welcomed into the choir from the Spring term. The choir perform each year at a Christmas event alongside other local schools and they also perform each year on Sing up day. This year, they performed at our curriculum evening and we aim to provide more opportunities for performances over the coming year. Choir is free to join.

We now offer an after school music club with a music teacher from Blue Jam Arts. The children are able to try out a variety of different instruments to see which they feel most confident with and they have the opportunity to play different instruments each week. They will eventually build up to making music alongside each other. Our own mini band!

We would like to begin 1:1 music tuition if the interest is there from the pupils.

Part C: Musical Events

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.

Some of the musical events which take place at North Lakes are as follows:

- Singing assembly once per week.
- Sing up day in June. The whole school takes part and we are part of the Digichoir.
- We have bands in to perform (Brass and string quartet)
- Christmas choir concert at St Andrew's church with the PSMA.
- Christmas performance (Y3/4)
- End of year performance (Y5/6)

- Class assemblies – Each class perform at least once per year and have the chance to sing for the school.
- Theatre trips to watch a musical – there will be a charge for this.

In the future

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

We would like to:

- Offer 1:1 music tuition – singing/ instruments
- Whole class music tuition – woodwind
- More theatre trips
- Different musicians into school.