

# Music development plan summary: Overton CE Primary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
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Name of the school music lead	Vikki Dyer
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Hampshire Music Service
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

Our school curriculum for music for each year group has been published on our school's website <https://www.overtonprimary.co.uk/learning/our-curriculum> . Our music curriculum supports pupils with SEND through differentiation of activity and/or resources, and with provision of sensory aids. This curriculum is informed by Hampshire Music Service planning documents, and by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021).

Every year group has an allocated 45 minute whole class music lesson weekly throughout the year. These lessons cover a wide range of musical genre, and progress children's playing, singing, composing, rehearsal and performance skills. All children also attend a 15 minute weekly Singing Assembly which includes warm up and singing techniques.

In addition to whole class music lessons, Year 3 have a second weekly 45 minute whole class instrument lesson. Throughout the year they learn to play boomwhackers, handbells, recorders ad keyboards. This includes reading the appropriate music.

## Part B: Extra Curricular Music

Overton offers many opportunities for pupils to sing and play music outside of whole class lesson time. We offer one-to-one and small group music tuition for a range of instruments, taught by peripatetic music teachers. Children are able to develop skills to take graded music examinations.

Our school orchestra meets weekly at lunchtime. Children need to display basic playing skills on their chosen instrument in order to join.

'I-rock' offers weekly sessions for children to develop skills as part of a rock band, including vocals, playing keyboards, drums, guitar or bass. We have multiple bands running including children from Year R up to Year 6. During these sessions children work towards an official exam-free music qualification.

Singing groups are run throughout the year. During the Autumn and Spring terms Years 5 and 6 can join Young Voices Choir, which culminates in a performance at the O2 Arena in London which can be attended by family and friends. During Spring and Summer terms Key Stage 2 children can join our school choir that performs locally several times over the summer.

## Part C: Musical experiences

Overton offers three big musical performances during the school year. At Christmas, Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage present a Christmas musical show. At Easter, lower Key Stage 2 perform a musical version of the Easter story at our local Church. In the summer, Year 6 presents their Musical Production.

Our school orchestra performs to the whole school and parents termly.

A group of children are taken to watch 'Primary Proms' at the theatre every year, allowing children to see local youth musical groups available for them to join as they get older. This is by invitation only, and usually includes children that have instrument lessons or are regular participants in choir.

There are a number of performance opportunities throughout the year for both instrument playing and singing. These include performances to parents, visits to our local care home to play or sing, and performing at school and other local fetes and fairs.

A theatre company visits our school annually to perform to the whole school.

We have a register of parents with musical skills and experience, and they are welcomed into school to provide extra musical experiences for children both in and out of lessons. These include listening to different instruments, learning instrumental skills, and performing alongside parents playing a variety of instruments.

## In the future

This year, we are hoping to extend extra-curricular musical opportunities for Key Stage 1 and Year 3 children.

We aim to improve outcomes for SEND children in whole class instrument lessons.

## Further information

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.