



Crown Street Primary School Music Development Plan

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	H Thompson
Name of local music hub	MyHub One Education Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	<i>Greater Manchester Music Hub</i>

Our aim is for every student, regardless of background or circumstance, to be inspired, to make progress, and ultimately enjoy music. This is a summary of our offer to all pupils, in the curriculum; in co-curricular activities and musical experiences; and any changes we are planning to make in future years. This information will help parents and carers understand what the Laurus Trust offer and who we work with to support the musical education of our pupils.

Curriculum Music

Within the Laurus Trust, we provide all pupils with a range of excellent opportunities to listen to and appraise, compose, rehearse and perform music, using a range of musical instruments for an hour a week (our 8-Year Overview is outlined [here](#)). All children take part in weekly singing assemblies. To supplement this, all pupils perform in various musical performances within school each term and pupils in Key Stage 1 and above will have opportunities to listen to and perform music outside of school in the local community. There is an expectation that our Music offer is for all – this includes those pupils with SEND.

Within Early Years, pupils focus on listening, learning and engaging with songs and music and are introduced to untuned percussion instruments. Throughout Key Stage 1 this develops and pupils use both rhythmic and melodic instruments. Opportunities for this then continue throughout Key Stage 2, where pupils learn with a variety of instruments. We know that getting better at an instrument takes time, and technical competence in one instrument does not necessarily transfer to other instruments, therefore lessons are gradual, iterative and coherent, building on pupils' procedural knowledge of an instrument. These whole-class instrument programmes are supported by specialist teachers, which is part of our Music offer – providing all pupils with an opportunity to learn an instrument.

In summary, pupils sing, listen to, compose, and perform music. They develop their musicianship through an understanding of the interrelated dimensions of music, including pulse, beat, rhythm, and pitch. Children also learn about, and start to read and write, musical notation.

Co-Curricular Music

Within Early Years, once the children have been introduced to songs, music or musical instruments within teacher-led inputs, they are then provided with opportunities to extend this learning within continuous provision.

As our pupils move through Key Stage 1 and 2, they will be provided with opportunities to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands to access Music beyond the core curriculum. Additionally, we will look to facilitate paid-for Music provision for pupils, which would likely be in the form of weekly lessons.

We would look for any extra-curricular groups (including our school choir) to take part in recitals to their peers in school during assemblies and performances outside of school in the wider community. As well as lessons in classrooms, each of our schools has a space dedicated to teaching and rehearsal of music and singing.

Musical Experiences

All pupils are involved in a range of opportunities as part of their wider musical experience. These include regular events such as singing in assemblies and termly performances (Winter, Spring and Summer). We aim to provide a professional set-up with staging, lights and sound in order to enhance performances. We know that pupils benefit from taking part in performances and being part of an audience so we provide this opportunity on a regular basis.

Pupils will get to experience a range of instruments during their time with us and opportunities will be provided for children to further continue these experiences in extra-curricular activities.

Pupils will also take part in school visits to broaden and develop their cultural capital around Music. Planned events for our Early Years children have included a visiting storyteller and performances for parents.

In the Future

We have many exciting opportunities planned for music both within school and in the local community. These include:

- Year Group performances and assemblies.
- Forming the school choir and music groups.
- Development of extra-curricular music provision – from Key Stage 2 onwards.
- Performances in local venues.
- Further educational visits and enrichment opportunities.
- The opportunity to collaborate with peers from both Primary Schools and High Schools within the Trust.
- Continually embracing the network of opportunities provided within our Trust.
- Develop relationships with our local music hub and within our local community.

Further Information

How you can get involved in music in and out of school: [Music education: information for parents and young people - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/topics/music-education)

Music Hubs: [Music Hubs | Arts Council England](https://www.artscouncil.gov.uk/musichubs)