

Music development plan summary: Great Dalby Primary 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	
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Leicestershire Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Melton Music

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.

Curriculum Overview: Our school publishes the music curriculum for each year group online. You can find this information on our school website.

Time Allocation:

Key Stage 1 (KS1): 2 hours of music per fortnight

Key Stage 2 (KS2): 2 hours of music per fortnight

Curriculum Guidance: Our music curriculum is informed by the Model Music Curriculum (March 2021) and other non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3.

Opportunities for Pupils:

Whole-Class Ensemble Teaching: We offer whole-school music lessons using Leicestershire Music, providing opportunities for pupils to learn to sing and play instrument. We also offer piano, guitar, and ukulele lessons as an additional lesson.

School Choir: Led with the support of KS2 pupils, our school choir performs in front of real audiences, including events like the Bradgate Massed Choir.

Partnerships: We work closely with the Leicestershire Music Hub and engage in continuous professional development (CPD) for our staff to enhance music education.

Specific Curriculum Content: Please refer to our curriculum overview and map documents on the school website.

Part B: Co-curricular music

This is about opportunities for pupils to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands, and how pupils can make progress in music beyond the core curriculum.

Music Tuition:

Outside of lesson time, our school offers a variety of music tuition options through Melton Music, including:

Piano Lessons: Available as one-to-one sessions.

Ukulele Lessons: Available as one-to-one or small-group sessions.

Guitar Lessons: Available as one-to-one or small-group sessions.

Ensembles and Choirs:

School Choir: Led with the support of KS2 pupils, our school choir provides opportunities for students to perform at events such as the Bradgate Massed Choir. Choir rehearsals are conducted in groups.

Progression in Music:

Qualifications and Awards: Pupils have the opportunity to achieve graded music exams and other music qualifications.

Charging and Remissions:

Tuition Fees: Music tuition can be subsidised using pupil premium funding. Specific details on charges and remissions are available on our school website.

Choir and Ensemble Participation: Joining the choir or ensembles is open to pupils from various year groups.

Rehearsal and Practice Spaces:

Pupils have access to designated classroom space within the school for individual or group rehearsals and practice sessions.

Partnerships: We collaborate closely with the Leicestershire Music Hub and other music education organisations to support our co-curricular music activities and staff professional development.

Part C: Musical experiences

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.

Regular Singing in Assembly:

Pupils participate in regular singing sessions during school assemblies, fostering a sense of community and musical engagement.

Workshops:

Throughout the year, we offer various music workshops, such as African Drumming, to expose pupils to diverse musical traditions and skills.

Musical Performances:

All pupils participate in a Christmas production or concert, showcasing their musical talents. During the harvest season, all pupils take part in a church service, which includes musical performances. Year 6 pupils present a special performance to an audience, celebrating their time at the school.

Assemblies and Inspiration:

We host assemblies from Melton Music to inspire children to play instruments and engage with music.

Concerts and Shows:

Pupils have opportunities to attend and participate in various concerts and shows, both within and outside the school. These events are designed to enhance their musical experiences and appreciation.

Participation and Audience:

Pupils from different year groups can get involved in these events either as performers or as members of the audience, depending on the nature of the event.

Charging Information:

Many of these events are subsidised or free, especially for parents or carers in particular circumstances, such as those eligible for pupil premium funding. Specific details on charges and remissions are available on our school website.

In the future

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

Curriculum Music:

Increased Lesson Time: We plan to increase music lesson time ensuring pupils have more consistent and immersive musical experiences.

Co-Curricular Music:

Termly School Performances: We aim to introduce termly school performances, providing regular opportunities for pupils to showcase their musical talents.

Concerts and Music Performances: We plan to offer more opportunities for children to attend concerts and music performances, both within and outside the school, to inspire and broaden their musical horizons.

Musical Experiences:

Improved Musical Instruments: We will fund the purchase of improved musical instruments for music lessons, ensuring high-quality resources are available for all pupils.

Staff Continuous Professional Development (CPD): We will enhance staff CPD to ensure all staff are confident and equipped to deliver high-quality music education. This includes training sessions and workshops to keep up with the latest teaching methods and musical trends.

High-Quality Music Provision:

Partnerships: We will strengthen our partnerships with local music hubs and education organisations to support and enrich our music programs.

Further information (optional)

Local Music Hub Partners: We work closely with the Leicestershire Music Hub, which is a dynamic partnership of over 30 local and national musical organisations.

Local Music Education Organisations: Leicestershire Music, established in 1948, is a key partner in providing enriching musical experiences for our pupils. They offer a range of music-making activities and support through innovative schemes of work, CPD, and teaching resources.

Department for Education Guide: The Department for Education publishes a guide for parents and young people on how they can get involved in music both in and out of school, and where they can go for support beyond the school.

Local Plan for Music Education: From September 2024, the Leicestershire Music Hub will have a local plan for music education in place, which will include useful information for schools and parents. More details can be found on the Leicestershire Music Hub website.