

# Music development plan summary: Wadebridge School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2023-24
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Name of the school music lead	Mr R Williams
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs J Williams
Name of local music hub	ASONE
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Cornwall Music Service Trust (CMST)

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 Key Stage 3, all students in Year 7 and 8 receive an hour of classroom music per week. We follow the music programmes of study at Key Stage 3 from the National Curriculum in England. Music activities that we currently deliver in classroom lessons at Key Stage 3 are:

- Class ensemble singing
- Individual/group/class keyboard
- Ukuleles
- Steel pans
- Djembe drums
- Samba drumming
- Music Technology: Composing using Bandlab
- Opportunities for students that learn other instruments to use them in lessons.

At Key Stage 4 students can choose to study music and receive 2 hours of classroom music lessons per week. Students study GCSE music from Years 9 through to 11, sitting their final exam in their final year. We currently follow the OCR GCSE music specification at Key Stage 4. Music activities that we currently deliver in classroom lessons at Key Stage 4 are:

- Solo performance on a chosen instrument/voice
- Ensemble performance on a chosen instrument/voice
- Class ensemble singing
- Individual/group/class keyboard
- Ukuleles
- Steel pans
- Djembe drums
- Samba drumming
- Music Technology: Composing using Bandlab/Noteflight

Further information can be found on the Music Curriculum [here](#)

## **Part B: Extra-curricular music and Music tuition**

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.

We offer a broad range of Extra-curricular activities and Music tuition here at Wadebridge School.

We are partnered with the Cornwall Music Service Trust (CMST) and offer a range of Music tuition that supplements the normal curriculum class-based lessons. Tuition can be delivered individually or in groups. These include:

- **Woodwind**
  - Flute
  - Clarinet
  - Oboe
  - Bassoon
  - Saxophone
- **Brass**
  - Trumpet/cornet
  - Horn
  - Euphonium/baritone
  - Trombone
  - Tuba
- **Strings**

- Guitar (classical/electric and acoustic)
- Violin
- Viola
- Cello
- Double Bass
- Percussion
  - Drum kit
  - Piano
  - Keyboard
- Voice

These lessons are taught during the school day with students coming out of normal lessons and receiving their lessons in the practice rooms in the Music department.

The cost of lessons depends on the lesson type and the size of the groups. Free School Meal (FSM) students can receive free lessons and PP students can apply to use their bursary to fund these lessons. For further information on music tuition please click [here](#)

Ideally, students should have access to their own instrument so they can practice and make progress at home as well as in lessons. Instruments can be hired through the ASONE Music HUB or CMST, for further information on instrument hire and purchase please click [here](#) . If a student is purchasing an instrument for educational purposes to use at school then the instrument can be purchased through the school minus the VAT. Please contact the school if you are interested in doing this.

Extra-curricular activities are run during registration time and are open to all students across the school: We currently offer:

- Choir
- Junior Band
- Senior Band

Students can join these groups by simply turning up to rehearsals. Students need to ensure that they attend registration first and let their form tutor know that they are attending a music club.

Students can practice individually or in small groups with permission during breaktime in the practice rooms.

If students wish to pursue additional music activities outside of school then we have local opportunities including:

- Cornwall Youth Choir
- Cornwall Youth Wind Orchestra
- Cornwall Youth Jazz Orchestra
- Triggshire Wind Orchestra
- Triggerty Wind Orchestra

## 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.

We have regular performances throughout the year that are open to all of our students. These include:

- Christmas Concert
- Spring Concert
- Summer Concert
- Termly performances at the John Betjeman Centre
- Performances at the Lanivet Memory Café
- Celebration assemblies

To get involved with these events students should come along to weekly rehearsals to be part of the ensemble performances at these events. There are opportunities for students to perform solo or in their own bands/ensembles and these opportunities are posted on ClassCharts.

There are no charges for students to be involved with these events. However, we may ask for donations from parents and audience members to help fund resources for these events.

We normally take our Key Stage 4 students to see members of the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra perform in the Spring Term. The cost of this event is usually covered by the Music department.

## In the future

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

We continue to strive to increase the number of students that get actively involved in extra-curricular activities as well as provide equal access to music making to all of our students. We are aiming to recognise the hard work and talent of our students through offering Arts Award qualifications from September 2024. Arts Awards are nationally recognised qualifications that rewards students that develop themselves through the Arts. We are initially aiming to offer Discover and Explore (Entry Level 3 qualification) in 2024 through our extra-curricular activities but are hoping to expand this in subsequent years to offer the Bronze (Level 1 qualification) and Silver (Level 2 qualification) awards. Further information about Arts Award can be found [here](#).