

Music development plan summary: St Wulstan's Catholic Primary School, DY13 8TX

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026/2027
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Gemma Mallinson
Name of local music hub	Severn Arts

Part A: Curriculum music

Here at St Wulstan's, we employ a Specialist Class Music Teacher to deliver music lessons across school. Each class, from Year 1 up to Year 6 receive an hour of music tuition every week for 6 weeks out of every term. As part of this provision, each child has access to the school's personalised curriculum, covering the knowledge, skills and understanding and is informed by the Model Music Curriculum, National Curriculum and National Plan For Music Education. The curriculum specifically developed to provide robust progression in both disciplinary and substantive skills throughout the school and is inclusive to all pupils.

Part B: Co-curricular music

All children develop singing skills in both class and weekly Musical Praise Assemblies resulting in both Liturgical and Non-Liturgical performances throughout each term.

Children at St Wulstan's receive specific lessons enabling them to read music by playing glockenspiels and recorders as a whole class in Year 3 as part of the music curriculum. Expectations are high, both class and during performances and these skills are encouraged and developed in class throughout the rest of Key Stage 2.

Children expressing an interest in learning a musical instrument are directed to Severn Arts Music Hub where they can find information about private lessons, local ensembles, costing and availability.

Part C: Musical experiences

Rock Steady provide weekly music lessons, where children learn and play together in a band format. The lessons are funded by the parents of children who choose to participate.

Singing in Whole School Mass, which is open to parents and parishioners, highlights their talent at least once every half term. In addition to this, end of term performance opportunities includes Talent shows and Karaoke afternoon at Christmas, Stations of The Cross during Lent and the Summer End of Year Key Stage Two Musical as well as Confirmation and First Holy Communion celebrations. Groups have also performed to the local community at a local care home for the elderly and during school fundraising events.

Any children who have private music tuition can share their talent with performances both in the classroom and in Musical Praise Assembly.

As well as opportunities for live performances, recorded classroom performances are uploaded onto the school Facebook page where all parents and family members can watch at home.

Throughout the year, children enjoy virtual collaboration days of musical worship from Dan Callow and Emily Jordan of 'One Life Music' who perform selections of their own latest compositions. They teach the children to create an end of day performance and accompany the pupils live on their acoustic guitars.

Musical Praise Assemblies are led live from the piano by the specialist music teacher.

On occasion, visiting groups and ensembles from the High School come into school to show our pupils the next stage in their musical journey.

In the future

This year, the school will collaborate with another local school (St Ambrose) to share resources and musical opportunities. This exciting new venture will benefit both schools.

The return of the school choir and the introduction of a recorder group is also on the school wish list; this depends very much upon time constraints of the specialist music teacher.

Further information

[Severn Arts Music Hub](#)

[National Plan for Music Education](#)

[Model Music Curriculum](#)