

WELLGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL
MUSIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN SUMMARY 2024/25

DETAIL	INFORMATION
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Name of other music education organisation(s)	N/A

MUSIC VISION

It is our vision that ALL children at Wellgate will;

- Experience and enjoy music from a variety of genres,
- Understand music and singing as a means of expression and communication,
- Learn to sing songs from a variety of genres,
- Make music and experiment with musical instruments,
- Begin to understand musical notation.

MUSIC CURRICULUM

Curriculum in EYFS

Music is taught in the specific area of Expressive Arts and Design.

In EYFS the children:

- Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs
- Build up a repertoire of songs and dances as we move through EYFS
- Use a range of musical instruments and explore the different sounds they make
- Name the instruments they are using
- Make patterns and rhythms with the instruments they are using
- Experiment with different ways of changing the sounds that instruments make.
- Perform songs, rhymes and poems and where appropriate try to move in time to the music
- Use the CHARANGA music scheme to learn new songs and the names of different artists and composers

Curriculum in KS1 and KS2

At Wellgate Primary School we follow the original CHARANGA music scheme from Year 1 to Year

6. Each year group covers a Charanga music unit each half term covering:

- Listening and appraising music,
- Musical activities such as singing, playing instruments and composing,
- Performing music.

All class timetables include a 45-minute music lesson which are accessible to all pupils regardless of disability or SEND.

Curriculum Partnership with Music Hubs

Within partnership with Barnsley MBC Performing Arts and Drama Service (PADS), Wellgate Primary School provides specialist music teaching once a week for an hour in Year 5. Year 5 perform in front of the whole school and their parents twice during the academic year to

showcase their learning. In addition, Year 5 attend the annual Music Festival with other schools at the Barnsley Metrodome performing to a largely unknown audience.

Links with Wider Curriculum

Christmas Performances are held each December in EYFS, KS1 and Lower KS2. EYFS and KS1 usually perform a Christmas/Nativity themed production with accompanying songs and percussion music. Lower KS2 perform a Christmas themed performance with accompanying songs and percussion instruments. These performances link to the wider curriculum RE, PD, English, Drama, Oracy.

Additional Music Appreciation

Every fortnight, the whole school is introduced to a famous Musician through Assemblies. A variety of genres are covered during the school year and the children are taught about;

- The artist – their origins and nationality,
- Their music,
- Fun facts and
- Their legacy

Music and SEND pupils

Our music curriculum is accessible to all pupils regardless of academic ability. We appreciate that some pupils have sensory needs. We take this into account and strategies put in place for individual pupils to meet their specific needs. Ear defenders are provided for pupils requiring them within school.

EYFS and KS1 children may have the access to Music Interaction sessions throughout the week. This is an intervention that supports turn taking and patience with children who show a keen interest in musical instruments and sounds. Although it is a targeted intervention for those with Interaction needs, other children who show an interest in music have the opportunity to join in with these sessions as 'role models.'

The full detail of our music curriculum is available to view on our school website.

CO-CURRICULUM MUSIC

Music tuition is provided during the school day to a number of children who wish learn specific instruments. Children have the opportunity to choose from either; guitar, keyboard, drums, brass, recorder or flute lessons. This opportunity is an inclusive offer – instrument hire and lessons are available for all children at a termly rate and tuition for disadvantaged pupils is paid for by school; PADS do not charge for tuition.

In addition, we have a school brass band that is run by Barnsley Music service which takes place weekly after school for children in Year 5 and those who take part in individual brass lessons.

OTHER MUSICAL EXPERIENCES

A variety of other musical experiences are available such as;

- Singing assemblies take place every Thursday for children in Years 1 to 6.
- Children perform the songs they have learnt in all assemblies
- Key Stage 1 and EYFS incorporate singing into their school day.

- Annual Christmas Performances take place in December – see wider curriculum links above.
- Year 5 and 6 pupils take part in an end of school performances – this usually involves drama and singing.
- Each year Wellgate Primary School takes part in the YOUNG VOICES choir held at Sheffield Arena. The school choir runs in the Autumn Term and Spring Term 1 . Children from across school are welcome to attend to learn songs and movements and attend the Young Voices event in the Spring Term.

DEVELOPING MUSIC IN THE FUTURE

Please see 2024/25 Music Action Plan for full developments this academic year.

Music Learning walks are required to observe staff teaching music and pupil engagement with the subject.

Pupil Voice interviews need to take place regarding:

- Enjoyment and engagement with the Charanga Scheme,
- The frequency and length of music lessons,
- How often they get to use musical instruments,
- The popularity of the Musicians played in assemblies

We need time to consolidate the assessment of music and ensure this is carried effectively.

