

Sutton Benger CE Primary School Music development plan summary:

Overview

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| Academic year that this summary covers | 2024-25 |
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| Name of the school music lead | Carolyn McSloy |
| Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different) | N/A |
| Name of local music hub | GSW Music Hub |
| Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place) | Wiltshire Music Connect |

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

At Sutton Benger CE Primary School, we teach the equivalent of one music lesson per week (35-40 minutes approx.) in each class as well as having a weekly 20-25 minute Singing Practice as a whole school.

We use the Music Express scheme, alongside the 'Model Music curriculum', to ensure that we provide a developmental music curriculum, where children of all abilities can enjoy and take part in musical activities and make progress across the primary school phase.

We teach whole class recorders in our year 2/3 class for approximately 15 weeks across the year.

Part B: Extra-curricular music

At Sutton Benger, we have a dedicated music room where peripatetic music lessons take place. At present we offer lessons in guitar, piano and drums through the Wiltshire Music Service. We are also able to offer ukulele lessons, funded by FOSBS to children experiencing disadvantage. We are introducing a recorder club and will be continuing with our school choir which takes place during the lunch time break. The choir will also join in with events throughout the year, alongside other school choirs from the cluster.

Part C: Musical performances

During the course of the academic year, we invite professional musicians to come in to perform to the whole school whenever possible (for example, Music for Miniatures), as well as providing performance opportunities for those children learning to play an instrument.

As a school, the children regularly enjoy singing together – such as during assemblies, at church services, in nativities and end-of-year 6 plays.

In the future

Since starting to teach whole class recorder, we are now introducing a recorder club, so that children can continue to build on skills learned in class. We hope that this will develop into a recorder ensemble, with treble and tenor recorders as well as soprano.

We are looking into participating in Young Voices, as well as other choir events within the Chippenham Cluster.

In 2024-25, the school Music lead will teach many of our music lessons, in order to ensure adequate and high-quality music provision, progression across the school and to raise the profile of music even further.

The school Music lead will continue to attend Cluster meetings with Wiltshire Music Connect and the GSW Music Hub.