

Music development plan summary: Stoborough CE Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Rosie Bird-Hawkins
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Jemma Murray
Name of local music hub	Dorset Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s)	Purbeck Youth 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

At Stoborough School music is timetabled in each week. The school uses the Charanga scheme of work from Reception to Year 6. During lesson time children have access to different musical instruments such as glockenspiels, keyboards, ukuleles and recorders as well as various percussion instruments.

Singing is embedded in the school through our daily whole school worship time, and our weekly singing worship. Songs, rhymes and music are a part of the daily school routine in our Key Stage 1 classes.

At various times throughout the year, KS2 classes have the opportunity to work with musicians and singers such as a Samba ensemble led by Dorset Music Service in Year 5 and singing workshops led by Purbeck Youth Music in Years 3 and 4. Year 6 take part in a whole class musical performed to the school and to parents. There are regular opportunities for whole school singing and performance to parents.

The school works closely with the Dorset Music Service and Purbeck Youth music to encourage opportunities and increase musical experiences for everyone.

Our music curriculum is detailed on our website, as is our Curriculum Statement for Music.

Part B: Co-curricular music

Children at Stoborough School benefit from independent music tutors coming into school to teach lessons in small groups or on a 1:1 provision.

Our children currently have the option to learn drums, guitar, piano and woodwind instruments (saxophone, oboe, clarinet, flute). A traditional piano is available in the school for piano lessons and children loan their woodwind instruments from Purbeck Youth music. Dorset Music Service also provide an instrument hire scheme. Children can choose to work towards grades in their music. Tuition is often subsidised for those eligible for Pupil Premium.

Instrumentalists and singers are given opportunities to perform in school workshops and parent showcases on a regular basis.

Children also have the opportunity to be part of weekly dance group and also a choir group. These groups perform regularly at school events and seek out other opportunities for performance in the community. The school hall or appropriate classroom space is made available for rehearsals of these groups.

Key Stage 2 children also have the opportunity to lead their own clubs during lunchtimes. We currently have two dance clubs run by pupils in years 5 and 6. They plan and compose their own dance routines which they teach to younger students for performance during school celebration workshops.

Part C: Musical experiences

All children throughout the school benefit from participating in performances such as Nativity performances in KS1, a Carol Concert in KS2 and the Year 6 end of year play.

The school choir performs at the local church for carol services and Easter services, as well as other opportunities that arise in the community. In the past, this has included the Arne 'Pull a Pine' event and the Purbeck Youth Music event at the Mowlem in Swanage. During the schools yearly 'spirituality week' all children take part in a whole school musical performance. Past performances have incorporated interpretative dance and acapella singing.

The school works with Purbeck Youth Music and Dorset Music Service to expose children to different music and instruments during whole school assemblies and workshops, allowing children to learn about, experience and try different instruments.

Before school events such as the carol concert, Easter service or leavers assembly, children are encouraged to explore their own musical tastes and given time to create their own performances such as dance routines which are showcased to peers and parents.

Children in KS2 are given opportunities to lead and facilitate dance clubs.

Teachers across the school celebrate their student's musical learning in whole school assemblies as well as in class amongst their peers. Children are encouraged to show case their learning to build confidence and independence with their playing.

KS1 children attend performances at The Lighthouse in Poole and KS2 children attend pantomime performances. Year 6 children benefit from experiencing a London musical as part of their end of year trip. Past performances have included *Matilda* and *The Lion King*. Trips are subsidised for those eligible for Pupil Premium and alternative payment methods are offered for those who may need other financial assistance.

Teachers actively seek out opportunities for children to attend concerts and performances whenever possible.

In the future

Over the next academic year, we will be strengthening our musical curriculum by ensuring that all staff receive up to date CPD on how to best use the Charanga Model Music Curriculum Scheme and access all relevant resources.

We recognise that there is further potential for our children to engage more explicitly with music technology to create their own compositions and explore their own musical interests. Provision for this will be built into the curriculum over the next year.

Moving forward we hope to establish a regular 'worship band' to perform regularly during worships to further showcase our instrumentalists and to give them opportunities to play as an ensemble as well as to compose and create pieces of their own. Our choir will also begin to take an active role in our singing worships.

We will continue to seek out opportunities for our choir and instrumentalists to perform at school and in the wider community by continuing to build on our partnerships with Dorset Music Service and Purbeck Youth Music.

We will establish a termly instrumental showcase to give all our instrumentalists the opportunity to perform and be celebrated.

It will be our aim to continue to build on our already strong foundation in music and performance at the school by complimenting this with trips for both key stages to experience live performances of music. To aid us in this, we will continue to work at

creating and sustaining a musical community that involves pupils and staff from the school as well as parents and musical partners across the community.

Further information

Information about Dorset Music Service, including Dorset Music Hub and the hiring of instruments can be found here: [Dorset Music Service - Dorset Council](#)

Information about Purbeck Youth Music can be found here: [Purbeck Youth Music](#)

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.