

Music development plan summary: [Cockfield Primary School]

All schools should have a music development plan from academic year 2023-24. Schools are expected to publish a summary of their plan on their website from academic year 2024-25.

This template is designed to support schools to produce the summary. It should set out how the school will deliver high-quality music provision in curriculum music, co-curricular music and musical experiences, taking into account the key features in the [national plan for music education](#):

- timetabled curriculum music of at least one hour each week of the school year for key stages 1 to 3
- access to lessons across a range of instruments, and voice
- a school choir or vocal ensemble
- a school ensemble, band or group
- space for rehearsals and individual practice
- a termly school performance
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year

The summary should reflect your school's music provision for the given school year and your plans for subsequent years. It should also refer to any existing partnership with your local music hub or other music education organisations that supports the school with music provision.

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Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 - 2026
Date this summary was published	March 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Charlotte Kipling
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Durham Music Service
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	n/a

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.

- Children have the opportunity to learn to sing or play an instrument during lesson time, such as through whole-class ensemble teaching in some or all year groups. Children have the opportunity to learn to play different musical instruments such as the recorder and glockenspiel.
- As a whole school we follow the scheme 'Charanga'.
- As a school we work with the Durham Music Service who provide a whole class lesson weekly to LKS2. Additionally, the Durham Music Service provides lessons of Ukulele and recorder to other children who pay for the service. The children are given the chance to share their learning with the rest of the children as part of a 'music concert'.
- We have weekly singing assembly, and this may consist of songs that we are practising for a Church service e.g. Easter Service, Christingle.
- We also invite parents twice a year to a performance, one in the Autumn term (December) and one in the summer term (July).

Part B: Co-curricular music

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.

Durham Music Service offers small group sessions and one to one lessons for the ukelele and recorder.

For children who are eligible for Pupil Premium we offer free music sessions.

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.

The musical experiences that are planned for the academic year are:

- Weekly singing assembly
- Termly music concerts from Durham Music Services showcasing what children have learnt in their sessions.
- Two performances during the year and invite parents to attend.
- Services at the Church (Easter and Christmas).

In the future

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

- In the future, we would like to further develop our music curriculum by using music specialists to deliver music lessons to all classes and hold weekly clubs.

Further information (optional)