



## Music development plan summary: *Cradley CE 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	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	C.Neale
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	See above
Name of local music hub	Dudley Performing Arts

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.

At Cradley CE, the music curriculum is designed to inspire creativity, challenge and foster a life-long love of music whilst experiencing our pupils to diverse learning experiences.

Our curriculum is implemented through the Charanga scheme of work. This scheme is based on the model music curriculum. Further information that outlines the topics for each year group can be found on our school website Music page - <https://www.cradleycofe.com/music/>

At Cradley CE, music lessons are taught once a week for an hour. Therefore music lessons are taught every half term through the use of the Charanga scheme.

All children have the opportunity to learn to sing or play an instrument. Our music lessons aim to match the needs of all learners through inclusive, practical and engaging activities that are appropriately differentiated to respond to pupil's diverse needs. This year, Year 3 children will have their music lessons delivered by DPA. Children will be learning how to play the fife.

## **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.

At Cradley CE children have the opportunity to have instrument lessons from a peripatetic teacher at school. This involves one – to -one and small group lessons. This year we have children learning to play the clarinet, flute, guitar, violin and piano. Children who take part in these lessons are encouraged to work together and create their own instrumental ensemble.

In Years 5 and 6, we have a school choir that practise and perform outside of music lessons taught in class. Choir practice takes place every term in preparation for a performance. This year children will perform at our local residential home, church services and the 2024-25 Young Voices concert.

Year 3 children are able to take their fife's home during the week and weekend which allows for further practise of the skills taught in lesson.

Pupils who receive Pupil Premium funding are offered additional musical instrument lessons including flute, guitar and clarinet.

## **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.

At Cradley CE you would expect the following musical experiences;

- Weekly whole school singing worships (children will participate)
- Whole school end of year performance in our local church, St. Peters (children will participate)
- Year 3 fife performance to whole school in Summer 2 term
- Year 5 and 6 choir performance in Autumn 2 term at local residential home (children will participate)
- Year 6 choir trip to Young Voices (children will participate)
- Key Stage 1 live music experience from Dudley Performing Arts (children will be members of the audience)
- Christmas singing performances (children will participate)

## **In the future**

At Cradley CE, we aim to;

- Introduce the teaching of new instruments in KS2.
- Continue to provide staff with CPD opportunities.
- Develop a whole school love of listening to music.
- Ensure there is a wider variety of cultural and historic music in music lessons across the school.
- Use music to support children's and staff's mental health and wellbeing.