

# Music development plan summary: *Todwick Primary School*

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Emma Perry
Name of local music hub	Rotherham Music Service

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.

Music is taught as a discrete subject through the Charranga scheme of work but also across other curriculum areas, such as times tables in maths, vocabulary in languages and movement in dance also incorporate different elements of music. Discreet Music lessons take place weekly with 1 hr whole class sessions from the Reception class through to Year 6 following the Charranga scheme of work. The scheme provides clear progression across school and supports all the requirements of the national curriculum. Additional information can be found on the school website curriculum area-[Todwick Primary School: MUSIC \(todwickps.org\)](http://todwickps.org)

During classroom lessons, all children are taught how to play an instrument, read music and play in an ensemble. Each class has a 7-week block learning the recorder within each school year and additional units of work within the year are taught with Glockenspiels. All children have the opportunity to perform and showcase each half term's learning with a musical performance within school to other year groups.

A weekly singing assembly allows the children opportunities to develop their singing skills and gain an understanding of how ensembles work. Performances to a variety of audiences, such as Christmas plays and nativities and performing arts festivals,

demonstrate that music is important to the life of the school. Extracurricular activities, such as peripatetic music lessons and the school choir, also provide children with experience of making music. Adult guides and supporting resources are provided with each lesson and resources are adapted to support the different learning needs of the children in each class.

The school has a strong partnership with the local Rotherham music hub and participates in their performances such as 'Sing up' and supports us in developing adults' knowledge of the music curriculum by taking part in training events.

## **Part B: Music tuition, choirs and ensembles**

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.

In addition to what is taught in lesson time, there is a variety of instrumental tuition on offer outside the classroom and this is provided by Rotherham Music Service. Children from Year 1 are able to access instrumental lessons ranging from guitar, clarinet, piano, saxophone and violin. Lessons are available within a small group and one-to-one. There is also a school choir after school club which children from Y2-Y6 can access after the school day. The school choir take part in community performance throughout the year and regularly attend the Music Hub's Sing up event so that they have the experience of being part of a large ensemble with live music. There is a small cost to attending the after-school Choir club.

The Rotherham Music service provide instrumental loan for children who wish to take this up with their instrumental lessons. Within these lessons, children can work towards achieving Music awards such as the Royal School of Music awards.

Instrumental lessons provided by the Rotherham Music service are at a cost and these can be subsidised for families who are eligible for pupil premium.

There are also music making opportunities outside of school such as evening bands that children can join, weekend and holiday music centres. These are all provided by the Rotherham Music Service.

## **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.

Children have many opportunities throughout the school year to perform to an audience.

Every half term, each class performs on the recorders or glockenspiels to other classes who become the audience. This showcases the half termly learning from the Charranga music scheme where children learn to play glockenspiel, recorder and sing.

All children sing weekly within singing assemblies and work towards performing in the schools Harvest festival, charity events, community events, separate key Stage Christmas productions, Easter assemblies and end of year performances.

Children who attend the school choir perform throughout the year at charity events, community events and work towards larger ensembles within Rotherham such as 'Sing up'.

Instrumentalist have the opportunity to perform at the end of the year in school to parents and may wish to join the Rotherham Music Service groups on offer such as the beginner wind band or junior guitar ensemble.

Christmas time is a special time of the year when children are able to experience live performances by attending the Pantomime visit to the Rotherham Civic Theatre and Music Hub instrumental performances within school.

## In the future

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

Over the last year a number of positive changes have taken place to our music offer within school and we aim to continue and build upon this by:

- facilitating more events for our school choir to perform in.
- Improving on the quality of instrumental lessons in addition to the classroom lessons by making full use of the Rotherham Music service peripatetic offer.
- Opportunities for music making and instrumental performances to become part of our Christmas productions.
- Training for adults within school who are teaching Music within lessons to improve the quality of teaching and learning.
- Improve on our offer of children attending live music performances.

## Further information

Look at what Rotherham Music Service has on offer:

*At Rotherham Music we are passionate about offering people of any age or ability the opportunity to engage in musical activity. We offer a range of different pathways, all of which can be explored via our website.*

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#### Activity Timings

Monday		Saturday School	
Group	time	Group	time
Junior Guitar	5:30-6:30	Beginner Wind Band	9:15-10:30
Senior Guitar	6:30-7:30	Intermediate/Senior Wind Band	9:15-10:30
Senior Strings	6:30-8:00	Intermediate Strings	9:15-10:30
		Beginner Strings	10:45-11:45
		Rock and Pop Bands – intermediate/senior	9:30-10:30 10:45-11:45
		Rock and pop – all abilities	9:30-10:30 10:45-11:45
		Pop Choir	9:15-10:30
		Join in Symphonic pop	10:45-11:45
		Symphonic Pop	10:45-11:45
		Theory/composition	10:45-11:45
		DJ/Electronic music (alternating weeks)	9:30 - 10:15 10:15 -11:00 11:00 -11:45