

Somerset Music

Music Development plan summary for school website

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	16 th October 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	October 2025
Name of the school music lead	Amanda Williams
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music	Angeles Solway
Name of local music hub	Somerset 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. 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 and how much time is spent teaching music.

Year group	Time per week	Lessons per term
EYFS	40 minutes	6 – Explicit lessons
KS1	40 minutes	6 – Explicit lessons
KS2	1 hour	6 – Explicit lesson
KS1/KS2	20 minute singing assembly	Weekly progressive sessions
All years	15 minutes	Weekly music listening linked to MMC

Our music curriculum is informed by the Model Music Curriculum and the National Curriculum.

Our pupils have the opportunity to learn to play an instrument during lesson times including weekly whole-class violin tuition in year 4 and private piano lessons and small group violins delivered by a peripatetic teacher. KS1 and KS2 receive a half term of ukulele tuition, boomwhacker and music technology lessons delivered by the class teacher throughout the year.

Our school works in partnership with Somerset Music

Part B – Co-Curricular music

Our school offers instrumental lessons on the following instruments: Piano, violin, guitar, brass, djembe. We offer subsidised lessons for Pupil Premium pupils.

Our school offers the following ensembles:

Ensemble/group	Day	Time	Term	Cost to pupils
African drumming and dance	Monday	3:15-4:00	All year	£3 per week
Guitar club	Monday	3.15-00	All year	£9 per lesson
Trinity brass	Wednesday	3.15-4.15	10 weeks Aut 2 / Spr 1	Free
Songbirds choir	Friday	3.15-4.00	All year	Free

Our school offers the following opportunities for pupils to make progress in music outside of lesson time: Brass instrument loan, access to online music files for personal practise and music scores to rehearse from if required.

Our school works with the following partners to support instrumental learning:

Nathan Williams (peripatetic piano / guitar), Abi Bailey (Djembe / African music specialist), Frome Town Band and in school music lead Amanda Williams.

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 performances.

Calendar of musical events for the academic year.

Event	Date	Term	Year groups	Cost to pupils	Participant or audience
Singing Assembly	Tuesday Weekly	All year	All years	Free	P
Harvest Festival	October	Autumn	All years	Free	P
Songbirds Choir	Friday Weekly	All year	KS1/KS2	Free	P
Guitar club	Weekly	All year	KS1/KS2	£9 per lesson	P
African drumming and dance	Weekly	All year	KS1/KS2	£3 per lesson	P
Performance within the community – Critchill Court and Greenhill Grange	December	Autumn 2	EYFS	Free	P
Christmas Pantomime	December TBC	Autumn	All years	Subsidised by FOTFS	A
Christmas plays	December	Autumn	EYFS / Year 1 / Year 3	Free	P
Christmas carol concerts	December	Autumn	Year 2 / Year 4	Free	A
Christmas service	December	Autumn	All years	Free	P
Violin concert	December	Autumn	Year 4	Free	P
Performance within the community – Critchill Court and Greenhill Grange	April	Spring 1	EYFS	Free	P
World Music Day	June	Summer 2	All years	Free	P
Summer Music Showcase	July	Summer 2	All years	Free	P
End of year plays	July	Summer 2	Year 2 / Year 4	Free	P
End of year concerts	July	Summer 2	Year 1 / Year 3	Free	P

Schools Singing Festival	July	Summer 2	Year 3	Free	P
Performance within the community – Critchill Court and Greenhill Grange	July	Summer 2	EYFS	Free	P

Our school work in partnerships to offer the following opportunities.

Event	Partner	Details
Singing Festival	Somerset Music	School choir performs at the Frome Singing Festival.
Year of the	Jackdaws	Bi-annual music concert working with specialist musicians. Children learn instruments to participate within the concert. (Year of Klezmer 2021 / Year of the recorder 2023)
String ensemble concerts	Somerset music	Violinists from small group lessons attend and perform in concerts with other local middle schools and colleges.
Brass band tuition	Frome Town Band	KS2 children are invited to attend ten weekly after school brass playing lessons with a view to being supported to access Frome Town Beginners Band. Instruments provided by the band.

Further information (optional)

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

Our local music hub can be contacted here: [Home \(somersetmusic.co.uk\)](http://Home(somersetmusic.co.uk))