Music development plan summary: Western Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Mr R Baker
Name of local music hub	NE Lincs Music Hub

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.

Information on the school's music curriculum, including access arrangements for pupils with SEND can be found at *https://www.westernprimary.co.uk/school_information/curriculum/music/music.html*

Western Primary School follows the Kapow Music scheme of work, which provides a structured and progressive curriculum and incorporates many of the principles and recommendations of the Model Music Curriculum. The curriculum develops pupils' skills in singing, listening, composing, performing and playing instruments, with opportunities for pupils to revisit and build on their musical knowledge and skills as they progress through the school.. Music is taught as a timetabled curriculum subject throughout the school, with a minimum of 45 minutes dedicated curriculum music each week. This is complemented by regular whole-school singing, musical performances, workshops and other enrichment opportunities, ensuring that pupils experience music both within and beyond their timetabled lessons. The school is committed to developing the amount of dedicated curriculum time for music as part of its ongoing music development planning. Singing is an integral part of music provision at Western

Primary School, with a planned progression of singing skills from EYFS through to Year 6. Pupils have regular opportunities to develop their vocal confidence, musicality and performance skills through curriculum lessons, assemblies and school performances. During lessons, children are given the opportunity to play a range of tuned and untuned instruments. Whole class ensemble teaching is specifically included in Years 3 and 4.

Western Primary School works in partnership with the North East Lincolnshire Music Hub to extend and enrich pupils' musical experiences. This includes participation in KS1 and KS2 singing events, providing pupils with opportunities to rehearse and perform alongside children from other schools and to experience performing to a wider audience.

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.

The school offers a weekly choir, providing pupils with opportunities to develop their singing skills, confidence and enjoyment of performing. The choir performs within the local community, including at the local care home and in local supermarkets, giving pupils authentic opportunities to share their music with a wider audience.

The school offers a weekly recorder club with opportunities to perform to the school. At present, the school does not offer regular school-funded instrumental tuition beyond the core music curriculum. However, the school works closely with the North East Lincolnshire Music Hub to ensure that families are aware of the wider instrumental and musical opportunities available locally. Families interested in developing their child's musical skills are signposted towards these opportunities.

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.

Pupils have a wide range of opportunities to experience music as both performers and participants throughout the school year. Regular singing takes place in assemblies, supporting pupils to develop confidence and musicality in a whole-school setting.

Children in EYFS and KS1 have opportunities to perform in the annual Christmas concert, while Year 6 pupils develop their performance skills through the Leavers' play.

All pupils will also take part in a world music workshop, which will combine a professional musical performance with practical opportunities to play instruments and explore musical traditions and instruments that are not routinely available within school.

Pupils in Years 2 and 4 participate in North East Lincolnshire Music Hub singing days at Grimsby Auditorium, culminating in a public performance. These experiences provide pupils with opportunities to perform in a professional venue and to experience music-making alongside pupils from other schools.

The school also offers a weekly musical theatre club which provides the opportunity for a live performance in front of an audience at a theatre of a local secondary school and Grimsby Auditorium.

In the future

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

The school will continue to develop its music provision during the next academic year, with a particular focus on increasing opportunities for pupils to perform and share their musical learning. The school plans to establish a programme of regular musical performances, with the aim of providing pupils with an opportunity to perform at least once each term. These performances will provide authentic opportunities for pupils to apply and showcase the skills developed through curriculum music.

Subject to available enrichment funding, the school will also explore opportunities to extend its co-curricular offer through instrumental tuition and/or the establishment of a school choir or vocal group.