Kingsgate Primary School Music Development Plan 2024-25



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Kingsgate Primary School 2023-24 school priorities

Raising the profile of singing throughout the school and the development of singing assemblies.

Whole Class Instrumental Tuition.

Wider School staff to be trained in cross curricular links and ideas.

Context:

Music at Kingsgate is taught by a specialist teacher from Nursery to Year 6.

Kingsgate Primary School responded to the creation of the Model Music Curriculum (2021) by developing a bespoke curriculum that would raise the standard of musicianship across the whole school. The curriculum is written as a progression document and clearly states how children will develop and progress as musicians. Children are given guidance through continual context specific feedback and in the moment assessment. Videos are taken for summative purposes to check that the curriculum is working, and that the children are making progress.

The school recognises that the children in Upper KS2 did not have sufficient coverage in music prior to 2021 and are adapting the curriculum accordingly so that the children are able to access the lessons with increasing success and musicality. They also recognise the impact that COVID has had on singing throughout the school.

After reading the National Plan for Music (2022), senior leaders and the music teacher completed a self-assessment tool (included here) to be able to recognise the areas for development.

Kingsgate has a strong vision for how children should experience music both in and outside of the school setting. The school is committed to raising the profile of singing, developing stronger relationships with external providers, and creating opportunities for children from all backgrounds to develop and succeed in their own musical passions.

Area	Category	Band	Descriptor	Achieved
Curriculum	Curriculum	1	The music curriculum is planned for in all year groups and skills are mapped progressively across Key Stages as guided by the National	Yes
	Design		Curriculum.	
		2	Additional aspects (ie: whole class music, 1-1 tuition and ensembles) are embedded into the planning of the music curriculum so that	Yes
	they support the musical outcomes.		they support the musical outcomes.	
		3	The curriculum is planned with consideration for transition taking into account the expectations of the KS3 curriculum and planning in	Yes
collaboration with local secondary schools.		collaboration with local secondary schools.		
	Assessment	1	We have limited opportunities to assess pupil progress and have limited resources to monitor progress.	Yes
		2	We use teacher assessment at planned points throughout the year using one method only (video, audio, written).	Yes
		3	We use teacher assessment at planned points throughout the year using a variety of methods (video, audio, written etc.) to track pupil	Yes
			progress.	
			There are opportunities for self and peer assessment planned into all music lessons.	
	Timetabling	1	There is a dedicated curriculum music lesson on the school timetable each week for all year groups for a minimum of: KS1 30+ minutes,	Yes
			KS2 45+ minutes.	
		2	Whole class instrumental lessons are timetabled to support curriculum music lessons in at least one year group (recorder).	Yes
		3	Continuation of whole class instrumental lessons via small group or 1-1 tuition is scheduled for within the school day.	No

Area	Category	Band	Descriptor	Achieved
Tuition and	Instrumental and vocal	1	Schools engage with an outside agency to provide 1-1 and small group tuition on up to 2 different instruments. Up to 5% of the school population engage in instrumental tuition.	Yes
Ensembles	tuition	2	Schools engage with an outside agency to provide 1-1 and small group tuition covering more than 2 instrumental families. School engages in live performances for all pupils to raise awareness of instrumental families highlighting opportunities for additional musical learning.	Yes
		3	Schools engage with an outside agency to provide 1-1 and small group tuition covering all instrumental families. Over 10% of the school population engage in instrumental tuition. Opportunities for your pupils to perform in both formal and informal settings regularly (by regular we mean at least once per half term). School regularly engages and plans with their peripatetic teachers allowing for a consistent approach to music provision	No
	Whole class activity	1	Whole class instrumental tuition (WCIT) is delivered for 30 weeks on one instrument to one KS2 year group. The school ensures there is an appropriate adult always supervising the WCIT class.	No
		2	The school has selected an instrument for WCIT that promotes musical progression for their pupils. The school communicates effectively with the WCIT teacher (if external). The school/teacher ensures there is an opportunity for performance to parents and peers at the end of the WCIT year.	No
		3	WCIT is planned to successfully integrate into the school's music curriculum. The school/teacher ensures there are opportunities throughout the year to showcase the WCIT class to their peers.	No

		15% of students choose to continue learning an instrument after the WCIT year.	
Instrumenta	1	The school provides an opportunity for ensemble playing.	Yes
Ensemble		The ensemble is regularly attended by a minimum of 5 pupils.	
Provision		The ensemble is led by a competent musician.	
	2	The school has more than one instrumental ensemble.	No
		The ensemble is regularly attended by a minimum of 10 pupils.	
	It is planned that the ensemble rehearses and performs a range of styles and genres.		
There is an opportunity for the ensemble to perform to parents or peers.			
	3	School provides ensemble opportunities that cater for all instruments taught.	No
		Effective planning is in place for the ensemble to rehearse and perform a wide range of styles and genres.	
		There are many opportunities for the ensemble to perform to parents or peers.	

Area	Category	Band	Descriptor	Achieved
Singing	Singing	1	There are termly opportunities for massed singing, these could be linked with calendar events or performance opportunities.	Yes
	Assemblies	2	There are weekly singing assemblies for all pupils.	Yes
		3	There is 1 or more weekly singing assembly for all pupils lead by a specialist.	Yes
			Singing is used frequently in music lessons to support curriculum learning.	
			All staff are upskilled and confident at leading singing in their classrooms.	
	Choirs	1	There is a school choir that rehearses weekly.	Yes
		2	The school choir is led by either a specialist teacher or a competent member of staff who has expertise of leading a choir and practices	Yes
			healthy singing.	
		3	The school has multiple choirs.	Yes
	Staff Singing	1	There is a person responsible for singing in the school.	Yes
		2	There are singing opportunities for staff such as a choir	No
		3	All staff are upskilled and confident to lead healthy singing in their classes.	Yes

Area	Category	Band	Descriptor	Achieved
School life	Leadership	1	There is a designated member of school staff, not a senior leader who has responsibility for music and advocates for the subject	Yes
and	and		across the school	
opportunities	advocacy	2	In collaboration with the designated music leader, senior leaders drive the development of music across the school and advocate for	Yes
			the importance of music in school life.	
		3	A named governor takes responsibility for monitoring music (arts); as a result, music is an integral part of daily school life.	Yes
	Pupil Voice	1	Pupil voice is taken into consideration when planning internal school events through informal discussions.	Yes
		2	Pupil voice is taken into consideration when planning for participation in external events either through informal discussion or	Yes
			student council.	
		3	Pupil voice is taken into consideration when planning for the music curriculum, this could include repertoire selection or instruments	Yes
			of interest.	
		1	Music only plays a small role or no role at all in school life	Yes

Value of	2	Music occasionally plays a role in school life	Yes
Music	3	Music is an important part of everyday life	In progress
Inclusion	1	All music lessons are planned to use instruments/resources that are accessible and age appropriate to their students. All members of staff teaching music have an awareness of the pupil needs in the class Students have opportunities to listen to music from a range of cultures and traditions in all key stages.	Yes
	2	The school plans to target students eligible for pupil premium and supports these students to engage in musical opportunities and tuition through this funding. The school provides additional support though resources to enhance accessibility. All teachers and staff know when and how to differentiate appropriately using approaches which enable pupils to be taught effectively. Students have opportunities to listen to and actively engage with music from a range of cultures and traditions in all key stages.	In progress
	3	Bespoke financial support is applied so that all pupils can access the curriculum and extra-curricular opportunities. School provides access to alternative instruments where necessary. Annual planning demonstrates a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit pupils' ability to learn and how best to overcome these. Students have opportunities to listen to and interact with music from a wide range of cultures and traditions in all key stages including Western Classical Music, Popular Music (defined broadly) and Traditional Music from around the world.	Yes
Resources	1	There are limited instrumental resources within the school, possibly only untuned percussion or a part set of class instruments.	Yes
and equipment	2	There are a range of instruments within the school, including whole class sets of instruments (owned or hired). The school has access to and uses teaching resources to support music teaching and learning (this could include online resources).	Yes
(physical)	3	There is a dedicated space for music within the school. This is equipped with a range of tuned and un-tuned instruments and technology is available for use. The school successfully integrates the use of teaching resources (this could include online resources) into its curriculum planning.	Yes
Budget	1	There is limited budget for music provision.	Yes
	2	The budget is planned to support the delivery of the music curriculum and supports resourcing the school.	Yes
	3	There is a significant budget that is planned to support the delivery of music curriculum as well as providing students with ample opportunity to broaden their musical experiences.	Yes
CPD	1	The lead member of staff for music undertakes music specific CPD every year.	Yes
	2	The lead member of staff is given opportunities by the school to share and upskill other staff members as a result of their CPD attendance.	Yes
	3	The lead member of staff sources bespoke CPD opportunities for the school to enable quality music provision to become embedded in school life.	In progress
Partnerships	1	The school can demonstrate that it is using arts and cultural professionals and organisations to support the delivery of quality provision. The school is exploring opportunities to work in partnership with other settings.	In progress
	2	The school is working in partnership with other settings, sharing resources and good practice. The school is engaged with their local Music Education Hub (regular attendance at network meetings and borough wide events).	Yes
	3	The school can demonstrate over time that it has established long-lasting partnerships with arts and cultural organisations that are having a positive impact on outcomes for a wider group of children, young people, and staff. This could include Arts Mark and Music Mark accreditation.	Yes

Priority 1 Raise the profile of singing and the development of Phase Singing A	ssemblies
Actions	Evaluation

Autumii Term 2024
Singing assemblies one per half term in each phase
Weekly class singing assemblies and introduction of new songs
Spring Term 2025

Singing assemblies one per half term in each phase (led by Arthur KS2)

Class singing assemblies developed with pupil input

Parent assembly - Year group performances of favourite songs sung in class over the year

Summer Term 2025

Autumn Term 2024

Parent assembly - Year group performances of favourite songs sung in class over the year

Weekly singing in phase assembly

Plan for next academic year

Priority 2

Whole Class Instrumental Tuition

Actions	Evaluation
Autumn Term 2024	
Recorder program delivered by Artur to Year 3&4	
Feedback to music consultant. What is working, what is not.	
Spring Term 2025	
Continuation of recorder program for Year 3&4	
Consultation with Camden re whole class orchestral instrument for next academic	
year (flute, trumpet, clarinet)	
Summer Term 2024	
Continuation of recorder program for Year 3&4	
Preparation work put in place for year 2 so that recorder program can start for them	
when they move to year 3	
Preparation work put in place for year 4 to start Whole Class instrumental work in	
year 5 (Clarinet/trumpet class)	

Priority 3

Wider School staff to be trained in music for Cross Curricular activities, healthy singing, and general music understanding

Actions	Evaluation
Autumn Term 2024	
Spring Term 2025	
Musicianship activities incorporated into class singing assemblies. Music lead to	
monitor and advise where necessary	
Parent assembly - Year group performances of favourite songs sung in class over the	
year	
Summer Term 2025	
Parent assembly - Year group performances of favourite songs sung in class over the	
year	
Priority 4	
Member of governing body to monitor and represent music (and the arts)	
Actions	Evaluation
Autumn Term 2024	
Governor to meet with Music team to discuss how music is taught at Kingsgate	
Spring Term 2025	
Learning walk by governor to see Music at both sites	
Summer Term 2025	
Governor to attend final phase singing assembly of the term and to give	
feedback and award music medals (or equivalent) to each class	