

# Music development plan summary: Great Corby School and Nursery



## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Laura Mitchinson
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Cumberland Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

- Our school website has a page dedicated to music. This has our music policy, music curriculum overview and music progression grids and can be found here: <https://www.greatcorbyschool.com/curriculum/music>
- Our school music curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021) and the non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 and 2.
- All our children have weekly curriculum music lessons in school, as well as a weekly whole school singing session.
- Our school has links with Cumberland Music Hub, which allows us to access opportunities such as specialised music teachers, whole class instrumental lessons and live zoom sessions with a range of musicians.



## 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 Great Corby School, we offer a wide variety of music tuition outside of what is taught in lesson time. Children are able to learn to play a wide variety of instruments on a one-to-one basis with a specialist teacher, including guitar, ukulele, keyboard, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, drums and violin.
- Alongside this, we have a whole school choir that runs once a week as well as a choir club for those that wish to attend on a lunchtime. The choir often are practising for a performance, whether that be the Christmas Carol Service, performing at the community coffee morning, singing carols at the Co-Op or singing with the Year 6 Disney production.
- In addition to this, we also have some instrumental ensembles that run. These include guitar/uke group and a woodwind ensemble.
- Choir and ensembles are free for children to take part in and they run during break/lunch times. Parents are charged if they would like their child to have instrumental tuition or to hire an instrument. However, tuition and hire can be subsidised or funded by school in particular circumstances.
- During breaktimes, children are able to practise their instruments in their classroom if they wish to.
- Our school has links with Cumberland Music Hub, which allows us to access opportunities such as specialised music teachers, whole class instrumental lessons and live zoom sessions with a range of musicians.
- We also have formed links with a local community choir. At our Christmas service, they sang for us as well as singing with us.

## 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.

- Whole school singing assembly will take place once a week (usually on a Tuesday).
- A Christmas Service takes place every year which involves singing from all children, as well as choir performances and musical instrument performances.



- On alternate years, the whole school experience a Christmas pantomime trip. The UKS2 children also visit London on alternate years for their residential and during this, they visit the theatre to watch a performance.
- The choir get out and about to local events, such as singing up at the local coffee morning. This happens regularly throughout the year.
- The children take part in 'Musical Mondays' once a month. This allows them to watch live zoom sessions with a range of musicians and take part in the sessions by singing, dancing or even learning a few basic beat boxing techniques!
- The EYFS and KS1 children deliver a Nativity performance every year, which involves all children singing.
- The UKS2 children and the choir deliver a musical such as The Lion King or The Jungle Book at the end of every year.

## In the future

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

Looking forward, we aim to be able to provide the following things for the children of Great Corby School and Nursery:

- Whole class keyboard lessons in UKS2
- Continuing to be able to offer whole class violin lessons on alternate years in LKS2
- More performance opportunities to be held and on a regular basis
- Music in continuous provision in KS1