

## Music Development Plan

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 Trust/local authority: Dudley Local Authority  
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<b>Music Development Plan</b>	
<b>1 – Overall objective</b>	<p>At Woodsetton School, music education is an integral component of our curriculum, delivered through a structured programme. Each week, pupils receive dedicated music lessons, designed to engage and nurture their musical abilities. Our flexible scheme empowers non-specialist teachers to deliver music education to our pupils, ensuring that every child, irrespective of their learning difficulties, can participate and progress in their musical journey. The scheme includes over 60 creative songs and pieces spread across 24 units over a two-year cycle. The units offer a rich collection of age-appropriate material that resonates with and supports our pupils.</p> <p>The music tracks have been meticulously engineered to create an immersive learning environment where pupils feel as though there is a vocalist present in the classroom. This design allows them to hear and feel the beat while playing. The song lyrics used are crafted to be easily articulated and memorable, providing a foundation for a variety of musical activities. Our partnership with Dudley Performing Arts enhances this curriculum, bringing additional expertise and resources to our music programme.</p>
<b>2 – Key components</b>	<p>Music curriculum, – EYFS, KS1 and KS2            Classroom singing and instrumental teaching            Visiting music teachers from Dudley Performing Arts            Links with Dudley Performing Arts            Pupil Premium student engagement            Choir/ensemble            Choir Lunchtime Club            Whole school singing assemblies            Performance opportunities</p>

	<p>Musical engagement with feeder secondary schools</p> <p>Succession planning and CPD</p>
<b>3- Co-Curricular Music</b>	<p>Beyond the curriculum, Woodsetton School offers numerous opportunities for pupils to engage in music outside of regular lesson time. We conduct weekly singing assemblies and an afternoon singing choir lunchtime club. These sessions provide pupils with a platform to express themselves musically and develop their talents in a supportive and enthusiastic environment. Additionally, our pupils have the chance to share their musical skills with the wider community through events held at least twice a year.</p>
<b>4 – Classroom instrumental teaching</b>	<p>Within lesson time, pupils have the chance to learn to sing or play an instrument using our 24 clear, progressive unit plans over a two-year curriculum cycle. The units are accompanied by over 60 original and distinctive tracks. These units are crafted to be pupil-centred and differentiated by outcome, catering to age-appropriate music that spans a diverse range of styles, including Waltz, Garage, Jazz, and March. The songs and pieces, featuring catchy melodies and instrumental sections, are designed to engage pupils actively and support them in their musical journey. Each key in the songs is chosen to support staff in singing comfortably, ensuring that the music sounds authentic and engaging in the classroom. The school’s partnership with Dudley Performing Arts significantly enhances our music provision, providing pupils with access to additional resources and expertise. Find a link to our school curriculum via the school website.</p>
<b>5 – Outside of Classroom instrumental teaching</b>	<p>Private music tuition is also available outside of school hours through our collaboration with Dudley Performing Arts. This arrangement allows pupils seeking individualised instruction to benefit from specialised teaching. In our commitment to expanding musical opportunities, the school is actively exploring ways to increase these offerings and enhance the musical experience for every pupil.</p> <p><i>Further information can be found by click on the link below:</i>  <a href="https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/information-for-parents-and-young-people/music-lessons-at-resonance/">https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/information-for-parents-and-young-people/music-lessons-at-resonance/</a></p>
<b>6 - Musical Experiences Organised by the School</b>	<p>At Woodsetton School, we believe in the importance of providing diverse musical experiences to foster a well-rounded education. Our regular in-school musical experiences include weekly singing assemblies and an afternoon singing choir lunchtime club. These activities not only enhance musical skills but also build confidence and</p>

	<p>promote teamwork among pupils. Furthermore, our involvement in the local community, where pupils perform at least twice a year, helps foster a sense of civic participation and pride.</p> <p>Our out-of-school musical experiences currently feature band performances within the school. Looking forward, we are exploring opportunities to organise trips that would allow pupils to attend live concerts and other musical events. These experiences are crucial in exposing pupils to a variety of musical genres and professional performances, broadening their understanding and appreciation of music.</p>
<p><b>7 – Transition work with local secondary schools</b></p>	<p>We are committed to supporting the transition from Year 6 to Year 7 by maintaining strong communication with local secondary schools to ensure continuity in musical engagement. Our partnerships will help pupils carry their passion for music forward, reinforcing the skills and knowledge they have gained.</p>
<p><b>8 – Summary Action Plan</b></p>	<p>Looking to the future, Woodsetton School has ambitious plans to further enrich our music education programme. We aim to develop one-to-one tuition opportunities to provide personalised instruction that caters to individual pupil needs and aspirations. Additionally, we plan to establish a school band, offering pupil more avenues to showcase their talents and collaborate with peers.</p> <p>We also envision regular school performances where classes present their musical achievements at least once a term. These performances will not only create a platform for pupils’ recognition and celebration but also foster a culture of musical excellence within the school community. These initiatives are part of our ongoing commitment to delivering high-quality music education that inspires and empowers all our pupils.</p> <p>Furthermore, we are committed to supporting the transition from Year 6 to Year 7 by maintaining strong communication with local secondary schools to ensure continuity in musical engagement. Our partnerships will help pupils carry their passion for music forward, reinforcing the skills and knowledge they have gained.</p>

## **Useful links**

[The power of music to change lives: a national plan for music education](#)

[MT's national plan coverage](#)

[Building a musical culture in a primary school – the nuts and bolts for success](#)