

## Music development plan summary: Furzeham Primary School

All schools should have a music development plan from academic year 2024-25. Schools are expected to publish a summary of their plan on their website from academic year 2024-25.

This template is designed to support schools to produce the summary. It should set out how the school will deliver high-quality music provision in curriculum music, co-curricular music and musical experiences, taking into account the key features in the [national plan for music education](#):

- timetabled curriculum music of at least one hour each week of the school year for key stages 1 to 3
- access to lessons across a range of instruments, and voice
- a school choir or vocal ensemble
- a school ensemble, band or group
- space for rehearsals and individual practice
- a termly school performance
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year

The summary should reflect your school's music provision for the given school year and your plans for subsequent years. It should also refer to any existing partnership with your local music hub or other music education organisations that supports the school with music provision.

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### Overview

| Detail   | Information                              |
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| Academic year that this summary covers   | 2025.26                                  |
| Date this summary was published  | 5.9.25                                   |
| Date this summary will be reviewed   | September 2026                           |
| Name of the school music lead  | Claire Thompson                          |
| Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different) |  |
| Name of local music hub  | Devon Music Hub                          |
| Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)            | Blossom Music<br>Music centre experience |

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.

## Music Curriculum Overview – Furzeham Primary School

The full music curriculum overview is available on the school website. It outlines the curriculum offer for all year groups at Furzeham Primary School, from Nursery through to Year 6.

Our music curriculum is designed to be inclusive and engaging for all pupils, offering rich opportunities for musical exploration and development. Every class receives one hour of dedicated music provision each week, from Nursery to Year 6.

We follow the **Kapow Primary Music Scheme**, which aligns fully with the National Curriculum and incorporates the **Model Music Curriculum** and beyond. To enhance our provision, we also draw on resources from **Sing Up** and **Young Voices**.

**Singing** is a central element of our music curriculum. Each lesson includes group singing, and pupils participate in weekly phase singing assemblies. Throughout the year, every year group has opportunities to sing, play instruments, and perform—such as during parent assemblies. Whole-school ensemble teaching and singing are embedded across all year groups, allowing pupils to experience a range of musical genres in diverse contexts. We have several mixed choirs for varying opportunities to sing within school and externally. The largest of our choirs has 150 participants.

**Listening to music** is taught through a planned progression of genres, informed by the Model Music Curriculum. Pupils engage with a wide variety of composers and musical styles both in class and during assemblies.

At Furzeham Primary School, we aim to provide a broad and balanced music education that fosters creativity, confidence, and enjoyment. Our curriculum is designed to ensure that all children have access to high-quality music experiences, regardless of background or ability.

We are proud to be part of the **Torbay Music Hub**, and we actively engage with the opportunities it provides. Our pupils have performed at local care homes and community events, showcasing their talents and building confidence.

We also offer additional musical opportunities, including lessons with a **peripatetic piano teacher**. To support and enrich our music provision, we work closely with:

- **Torbay Music Hub**
- **Brixham College – Music Lead**
- **Blosson music**

## 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 Furzeham Primary School, we are committed to nurturing musical talent beyond the curriculum. A range of opportunities are provided to help pupils deepen their musical skills, build confidence, and experience the joy of performance:

- **Weekly Whole-School Singing and Ensemble Sessions** led by the music lead, featuring a wide variety of musical genres.
- **After-School Singing and Performing Arts Group**, where pupils rehearse for group events and performances, promoting both excellence and enjoyment.
- **Performing Arts Group for Upper Key Stage 2**, open during the summer term to prepare for a large-scale production.
- **Performance Opportunities** at major events, on large stages, and within the local community.
- **1:1 Peripatetic Piano Lessons** delivered by Link Learning, currently taken up by 11 pupils, including a number supported through pupil premium funding.
- **Annual Choir Performances** at large-scale school music events and community gatherings.
- **Partnership with Brixham College**, working with both the Arts and Drama Lead and the Music Lead to enhance our music provision.

From **July 2024**, we have embarked on the **Artsmark journey**, aiming to further enrich our arts and music offer through a broad range of experiences.

We are also exploring opportunities with the **Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra** and specialist music teaching to further elevate our provision.

We are enriching our offer by joining with Future Orchestra and developing links with the Music Centre

We have developed and will continue to do so, links with Brixham theatre and opportunities for developing music and opportunities to perform.

## 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.

At Furzeham Primary School, we are proud to offer a vibrant and enriching musical environment. Our planned events and activities are designed to nurture confidence, creativity, and musical flair in all pupils. These include:

- **Weekly Singing Assemblies** for each phase
- **Annual Upper Key Stage 2 Performance**, supported by Key Stage 2 pupils
- **EYFS and KS1 Nativity Singing Ensemble**
- **Carol Services and Christmas Celebrations**
- **Singing at All Saints Church**
- **Participation in the National Young Voices Event** at Birmingham NEC, where pupils rehearse and perform alongside thousands of others in a spectacular large-scale concert

## In the future

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

Timetable changes and training will engage all classes to have a dedicated time to teach our music scheme INSET to improve confidence and boost musical teaching skills set by lead teacher A dedicated space/ classroom is now available to teach music and store instruments. Striving for Arts Mark status 2026.

KS1 access to instrument teaching as a whole class. EYFS to use some musical sets for Devon Hub to enrich their offer.

## Further information (optional)