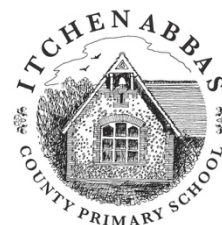


Music development plan summary: Itchen Abbas Primary School



Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-25
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2025
Name of the school music lead	Rob Bogan
Name of local music hub	Hampshire Music Education Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Winchester Academy of Modern Music

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.

Itchen Abbas Primary School believes in the importance of music education and has seen first-hand the legacy that high quality music teaching can leave.

Music is something we embody – we experience music by doing – therefore, we intend that our music curriculum will be ‘hands-on’ so that children experience the joy and creativity of this performing art. Therefore, through our music curriculum, we will give our children:

- The experiences they need to feel that they are musical and to develop a life-long love of music,
- An ambitious curriculum which all children can access and enjoy but will provide stretch and challenge for children who are learning music in addition to curriculum lessons, supporting all children to become confident performers, composers and listeners

- Opportunities to listen to and experience a wide variety of music so that children can decide for themselves what they like
- As there has been little migration into the area, it is also important that children have their awareness and acceptance of diversity and different cultures heightened with an understanding and experience of music across times, cultures and genres. Therefore, we will introduce children to music from all around the world and across generations, teaching children to respect and appreciate the music of all traditions and communities
- The development of transferable skills such as team-working, leadership, creative thinking, problem-solving, decision-making, presentation and performance skills.

In the music education we offer, we ensure that there is support for all our children including disabled pupils and those pupils with special educational needs (SEND)

Our school curriculum for music is published on our website and shows a clear progression of skills and knowledge:

<https://www.itchenabbasprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Music&pid=27>

The school music curriculum uses the National Curriculum and uses a range of resources including: Kapow music scheme of work, BBC Ten Pieces and music of the week across the school.

Our children have opportunity to learn to sing in singing assemblies and when we practise and rehearse for performances such as the Harvest Festival, Christmas Concert, Key Stage 1 Christmas Play and our Key Stage 2 end of year summer production.

We have a specialist music teacher who works with Year 1/2 in Cycle A and Year 3/4 in Cycle B, performing and composing on a variety of instruments including the recorder and ukulele.

We are also proud to be a Music Mark School.

Part B: Extra-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.

All children have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument in small groups or one-to-one with tuition given by an independent peripatetic teacher or from the Winchester Academy of Modern Music. As a school, we subsidise the cost of music lessons for children eligible for Pupil Premium, as we believe in the importance of learning a musical instrument.

We share information with children about opportunities for making music at weekends and after school; being part of Hampshire Music Education Hub ensembles in the local area.

When children learn a music instrument at Itchen Abbas, they have the opportunity to achieve Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates of Achievements and can also take external ABRSM exams.

The children have the opportunity to learn pieces of music, learn to make music together and to have the opportunity to perform to a live audience.

We have strong partnerships with local secondary schools and have attended musical workshops and performances at Henry Beaufort Secondary School.

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.

- Regular singing in assembly (participating)
- Whole School Harvest festival, Christmas Festival and Easter Service singing and instrument playing (participating)
- Key Stage 1 nativity (participating)
- Key Stage 2 end of year production to live audience (participating)
- Year 1/2 (Cycle A) and Year 3/4 (Cycle B) performing their learning of musical instrument to a live audience (participating)
- Pupils having lessons with Winchester Academy of Modern Music performing to a live audience (participating)
- Pupils invited to Henry Beaufort for an orchestra day annually culminating with performing to a live audience (participating)

Any trips or visits that are charged, may be subsidised by the

school or the PTA. Children who are eligible for pupil premium funding will have support with funding.

In the future

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

Improvements we plan to make for subsequent years in curriculum music, co-curricular music or musical experiences:

- Setting up a choir within school 2024-25
- Develop music tech opportunities 2025-26
- Continuing professional development for all staff (focus on composing) 2024-25/2025-26
- Trips to see a live orchestra performance in Southampton or Basingstoke 2025-26

Further information

[Winchester Academy of Modern Music](#) – Music Lessons at Itchen Abbas Primary School. The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school. Hampshire Music Education Hub has a local plan for music education in our local area too: <https://hantsmusicHub.org.uk>