



# Music Development

## Plan

### 2024-25





Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Vicki Thurstance
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Milton Keynes Music Service
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Music Cooperative

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.

Greenleys Junior School teaches music through our Dimensions – Learning meets the world curriculum. Music is accessible for all pupils who attend Greenleys. Our music curriculum can be found at:

<https://greenleysjunior.org/curriculum/music/>

A broad range of music is taught covering a diverse range of genres and cultures. Music from different time periods and from around the world is evenly balanced throughout the curriculum. Music technology is utilised in our curriculum.

Music is taught in Year 3 for 1 hour per week, by a specialist music teacher from the Music Service in Milton Keynes, this provides pupils with a good grounding in music from when they join Greenleys Junior School.

Lessons take into consideration children with SEND. Accessible materials and instruments are provided.

## 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.

In addition to our curriculum offer, pupils have the opportunity to take part in optional music lessons for the flute or clarinet. Pupils in Year 4 are offered this opportunity and selected Pupil Premium pupils are given lessons for free.



These lessons are offered on a one-to-one, paired or small group basis. Our tutors are currently provided by Milton Keynes Music Hub.

In addition, our school choir take part in music festivals and local events such as Christmas Lights switch on, carols at the church and other events held throughout the school year. Our choir practice for 30 minutes per week and this is free of charge. All pupils are encouraged to attend.

## 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.

In the Autumn term there is a whole school festive sing-a-long. Each class sings several songs and the finale is a whole school song. This takes place in the school hall and there are 2 performances due to the number of parents wishing to attend. Parents are invited to watch free of charge.

Year 3 pupils, choir and children who take part in optional music lessons also have a performance for parents, also free of charge. This is held bi-termly. The pupils demonstrate what they have learnt at each point of the year.

Every week in assemblies' children sing together a variety of songs. These are chosen for specific events such as remembrance, Christmas, the start of the academic year etc. Parents of children receiving an award will be invited to Friday celebration assembly. The choir also sing in our assemblies to demonstrate what they have been working on.

## In the future

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

- Plan for music to be played every morning based around the themes for Dimensions – discuss with the children the music from the playlists.
- Explore options for local musicians coming into school to perform for the children.

## Further information

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.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/music-education-information-for-parents-and-young-people>