

# Music Development Plan Summary: Avanti Fields School



## Overview

Detail	Information
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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.

At Avanti Fields, our music curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum and the Model Music Curriculum, focusing on developing pupils' abilities to sing, listen, compose, and perform. We use the **Sing Up** scheme to guide our teaching, ensuring progression and engagement across all year groups. Although music lessons are currently taught in blocks, the school is transitioning to the following structure:

**Early Years:** 20 minutes per week, focusing on singing, rhythm, and movement, to develop musical foundations.

**Key Stage 1:** 30 minutes per week, introducing key musical elements such as pitch, rhythm, and dynamics, with an emphasis on singing and percussion.

**Key Stage 2:** 30 minutes per week, where pupils build skills in composing, performing, and understanding musical notation.

Our music curriculum is inclusive and designed to meet the needs of all students, with adapted resources and support for SEND and EAL pupils. Music is embedded throughout school life, with pupils participating in whole-school singing assemblies, cross-curricular activities, and special events to showcase their musical skills and foster a love for music. Through this approach, we ensure that all pupils have the opportunity to engage with music and develop a lifelong appreciation for it.

## 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.

At Avanti Fields School, we offer a variety of extra-curricular music opportunities to help students develop their musical skills and confidence. Music is a key part of our daily worship, with Early Years and Key Stage 1 pupils engaging in singing and playing instruments like the mridanga and cymbals, fostering a sense of community.

In addition to lessons, students can join clubs such as the Mridanga Club and Kirtan Club, with some clubs provided by external suppliers. From the spring term, Pupil Premium children can access one free club to ensure all students have equal opportunities.

We celebrate music through termly worship services and cultural events like Diwali and Christmas, where pupils perform and share their musical talents. Through these activities, we nurture a love for music that extends beyond the classroom and promotes inclusion for all pupils.

## Part C: Musical performances

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 Avanti Fields School, we offer a wide range of musical experiences beyond the classroom to build confidence and foster creativity. Throughout the year, pupils from Pre-school to Year 2 participate in performances with parents and carers attending to support the children. Pupils also engage in workshops like the drumming workshop providing opportunities to explore new musical genres and instruments.

Extra-curricular clubs, including Mridanga lessons, are available to all pupils. These experiences ensure that every child can develop their musical skills, enrich their learning, and cultivate a lifelong love of music.

## In the future

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

At Avanti Fields, we are committed to expanding our music provision to give every child the opportunity to develop their musical skills and interests. Currently, our music program serves Early Years and Key Stage 1, and as the school grows, we are keen to extend this to Key Stage 2. Our plans for the coming years include:

- **Expanding Extra-Curricular Opportunities:** Introducing new clubs, instrumental lessons, and performance groups.

- **More Performance Opportunities:** Increasing events like **class music assemblies** for parents.
- **Instrumental Programs:** Offering **whole-class instrumental tuition** such as violin for Key stage 2.
- **Professional Development:** Providing ongoing CPD for staff to enhance their teaching expertise.
- **External Collaborations:** Strengthening partnerships with music organisations for workshops and performances.
- **Inclusivity:** Continue to ensure all pupils, including those with SEND, can fully participate in music.

We are excited to offer a richer, more inclusive musical experience for all our students as we continue to grow.