

# Music development plan summary: Filton Avenue Primary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	16.07.24
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Name of the school music lead	Miss S Keech
Name of local music hub	Bristol Beacon Music Education Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Bristol Beacon

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.

### **Whole class musician sessions**

These sessions are delivered by teachers. In years 1-6, we block-teach music as a stand-alone subject fortnightly (alternating weeks to fortnightly singing assemblies) and through specific enquiries and enrichment days across the year as part of our wider curriculum offering. Pupils play and compose using tuned and untuned percussion instruments using Bristol Curriculum lesson plans.

Pupils in Reception use instruments in Musical Moments and part of their continuous provision.

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### **Whole class ensemble tuition**

This is a 10-week block, delivered in class by an external practitioner from Bristol Beacon. There is a performance at the end of the block to celebrate achievements for parents and carers.

Tuned percussion – steel drums - Year 5

Ukulele - Year 3

## **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.

### **Instrument tuition**

In addition to musician sessions in class, pupils can book one-to-one, or group tuition provided by Bristol Beacon. This year we are offering tuition in **piano, guitar and violin**. These sessions take place during the normal school day.

The costs are as follows.

Individual 30 mins - £231 per double term/£693 annually

Individual 20 mins - £154 per double term/£462 annually

Small group - £77 per double term/£231 annually

We aim to increase the number of pupils taking up the offer of instrument tuition this year. Discounts are offered by Bristol Beacon for pupil premium families, pupils with an EHCP and free for children and young people in care. If fees are a barrier to you signing your child up for tuition, please speak to the office as we may be able to help.

Bristol Beacon offers free holiday workshops for children in care, children with an EHCP and refugees.

### **Choir**

Our school choir will be run by Miss Keech in terms 1-3 (with a view to extending beyond this period). This is a free, weekly after-school club. This year, we would love to offer more opportunities for our choir to perform in school and the wider community.

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## 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.

### **Assemblies**

All pupils in Key Stage 1 and 2 participate in fortnightly music assemblies in which they participate in music appreciation covering a wide range of genres, past and present. During these assemblies, pupils also learn and perform a variety of songs. Songs are carefully chosen using Sing Up to reflect the seasons, cultures, different rhythmic patterns, singing in unison, rounds and call and response.

We also offer live on-site gigs at least 3 times a year where all pupils have the chance to learn from our talented staff and local community. Such gigs have recently included a piano performance, hip-hop and berimbau. Pupils who participate in music tuition (fee-paying) perform to an audience of their peers and parents 3 times a year.

### **Performances**

All pupils participate in whole school performances where they perform to an audience of parents and carers. Pupils in Reception and Years 3-6 perform a Christmas concert where they each perform a rehearsed class song and sing additional songs in unison with their year group. Pupils also perform individual instruments and in small group ensembles at this concert. Years 1 and 2 perform a Nativity. All pupils sing class and year group songs to an audience at our Harvest festival. Key Stage 1 perform at their Easter bonnet parade. Year 6 perform an end of year musical show to the whole school and their parents and carers. Pupils also perform to our local Field House residents.

Whole school Enrichment Days allow pupils to observe and participate in a wider range of musical experiences such as capoeira and off-site trips to musical shows by local colleges.

We work in partnership with Bristol Beacon to support our fee-paid tuition, planning and performance opportunities.

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## In the future

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

Aims for this year.

- Increase opportunities to perform in the local community.
- Increase opportunities to attend musical performances in colleges and/or theatres
- Increase up-take of private tuition, including those in receipt of pupil premium and SEND.

## Further information

[Family Events | Bristol Beacon](#)

[Sing Up - Love learning, start singing](#)

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.