

Music development plan summary: Elton Primary School & Nursery

Overview

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| Name of the school music lead | Rachel Halligan |
| Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different) | Kevin Manning |
| Name of local music hub | |
| Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place) | |

This is a summary of how Elton Primary School & Nursery 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

At Elton Primary School & Nursery, music is a way for children to express their emotions enjoyably and creatively. It plays an important role in personal development and at Elton Primary School we aim to provide opportunities for all children to create, play, perform, listen, analyse and enjoy music across a wide range of periods, genres and styles. Elton Primary School & Nursery are committed to ensuring all our children understand the value and the importance of music in the wider community and we aim to provide opportunities for all of our children to use their musical skills, knowledge and experiences to involve themselves in music, in a variety of different ways. Music is taught for at least one hour each week of the school year for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, with access to both rhythmic and melodic instruments, this may be as part of a whole class instrumental programme or/in other classroom teaching.

The objectives of teaching music at Elton Primary School & Nursery are:

- Children are given the opportunity to perform, listen to, review their own and others music across a range of periods, genres and styles.
- Children are given the opportunity to explore musical terms and notations.

- Children are given the opportunity to sing and use their voices to express themselves, create and compose music.
- Children are given the opportunity to learn a music instrument to enable them to create and compose music.
- Children are given the opportunity to understand how music is created and produced.

Part B: Co-curricular music

Elton Primary School & Nursery provide opportunities for all pupils to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands and provide pupils to make progress in music beyond the core curriculum.

Music Tutions

Elton Primary School & Nursery offer music tuition, working alongside Rock Steady who provide fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons for children to learn a number of instruments or use their voice to sing for children in Reception to Year 6. Instruments included are guitars, drums, electric guitars. Each term the children will perform as a group to their parents/carers.

Choir

All that Jazz is our school choir where children are free to express themselves in singing and dancing, it enables them to learn a wider variety of music. Our school choir attends Young Voices which is a concert platform that inspires, teamwork, artistic expression and love for music where school choirs come together to sing and dance. Rehearsals and practices for Young Voices starts in September ready for the concert in February.

Part C: Musical experiences

This is about all the other musical events and opportunities that Elton Primary School & Nursery organise, such as singing in assembly, concerts and shows, and trips to professional concerts.

During the year we provide musical experiences for all our children. Every week the school will come together for singing assembly, giving the children the opportunity to sing together and learn new genres of music. Christmas productions are thoroughly planned in Key Stage 1. All Key Stage 1 will practice the Christmas production songs

with Year 2 leading the production. Children are given the opportunity to Carol Sing at the local Christmas fair in Elton for parents and local residents in the area. We give the children opportunity to perform in our school talent shows which are held twice throughout the school year, this gives the children to perform in front of their peers.

In the future

In the future to improve our music development for the children we aim to attend our local feeder high school Helsby High School to give children the opportunity to watch older peers perform live. To encourage and inspire our children to gain confidence in their own musical talents.

Further information

Provided are some useful links for parents/carers from the Department of Education.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/music-education-information-for-parents-and-young-people/what-the-national-plan-for-music-education-means-for-children-and-young-people>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/music-education-information-for-parents-and-young-people/what-the-national-plan-for-music-education-means-for-children-and-young-people#music-hubs>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/music-education-information-for-parents-and-young-people/what-the-national-plan-for-music-education-means-for-children-and-young-people#support-with-costs-fees-and-access>