

Music development plan summary: [Howden C of E Infant School and Howden Junior School]

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 - 2025
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Name of the school music lead	Miss Helen Green Mrs Carrie Dower
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Miss Helen Green Mrs Carrie Dower
Name of local music hub	East Riding Primary Partnership
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Howden Live

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.

All pupils at Howden C of E Infant School and Junior School are taught one hour of music teaching in a weekly music lesson. The lesson follows a scheme of work from the Charanga scheme of work or the Sing Up scheme of work. The scheme of work the school follows is informed by the model music curriculum. During lessons, children are given the opportunity to listen to and appraise music, to sing, to play musical instruments, to compose music and to improvise. During their time at school, children will have the opportunity to play the glockenspiel, ukulele and recorder. Regular snapshots of the children's work is recorded and used for assessment. All children take part in music lessons and listen to songs from a range of genres, cultures and traditions.

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.

Pupils at Howden Church of England School and Junior School are given the opportunity to sing as part of the school choir. Both choirs are held in school at the end of the school day and are led by the school's music co-ordinator. The choirs perform together at events such as carols in Howden Minster.

At Key Stage 2, the children have the opportunity to receive individual music lessons.

The school's music service provides flute lessons for pupils.

Private tutors teach children the violin, flute and piano (cost agreed between parents and tutor). These lessons take place within school during school hours. Children share their work at end of term concerts which are a celebration of their achievements.

To celebrate special events, for example the King's Coronation, all musicians come together and form an ensemble to play for the occasion.

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.

All children take part in weekly singing assemblies where they engage enthusiastically in singing a range of songs from different traditions and cultures. Songs are accompanied by backing tracks or a pianist. Each term, children sing as part of a whole school celebration. This includes services in Howden Minster which are well attended by members of the community.

Members of the school choir are invited annually to sing at Young Voices or the Big Sing Junction Goole. Children in Year 2 sing at the Little Big Sing in Junction Goole.

Our close links with Howden Live mean that the children get the opportunity to listen to live performances from professional musicians at the Minster and within school.

In the future

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

To enrich our music curriculum further, we would like to provide the opportunity for all children to receive whole class tuition from the East Riding Music Service where they learn to play an alternative instrument, for example, the Djembe drums.

Our aspiration is to increase their appreciation of music from different cultures by organising live performances from a diverse repertoire of musicians.

Further information (optional)

Use this space to provide any further information about your school's music development plan, including links to your local music hub partners, other local music education organisations and contacts.

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.

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.

If your school is part of a multi-academy trust with a trust-wide music development plan, you may also want to include a link to any published information on this plan.