

# Music development plan summary: Badgerbrook Primary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-25
Date this summary was published	September 2024
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Name of the school music leads	Anna Wolloff and Vanessa Toon
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Vanessa Toon
Name of local music hub	Leicestershire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Peripatetic teachers for choir/piano/guitars/drums/vocals

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, extra-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

The school uses the Leicestershire Music Primary Scheme of Work to teach music. Pupils in year 1-6 participate in weekly lessons of 40-60 minutes, 30-minute singing assemblies and receive 20 hours of and have the option of taught music lesson with visiting peripatetic teachers for guitar, piano, bass guitar, drum and vocals. These are delivered in line with our [accessibility plan](#), to ensure that our pupils with SEND are well supported to access the full music curriculum. Some pupils with SEND in EYFS/KS1 also enjoy weekly djembe drumming intervention sessions to develop social, emotional and communication skills alongside musical learning.

- Our school music curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#), non-statutory guidance for teaching music.
- Pupils have the opportunity to learn to sing through singing assemblies, and can develop this further by joining the school choir from Year 3 onwards.

- Pupils in year 5 and 6 receive whole-class ensemble teaching in Turntablism – a high quality music technology instrument and scheme of work provided by Leicestershire Music Hub.
- Training for the whole school scheme of work is provided and developed in partnership with Leicestershire Music Hub.
- Training, resources and development of the Classroom Instrumental Learning (Turntablism) in year 5 and 6 is provided in partnership with Leicestershire Music Hub.
- Children in years 5 and 6 are invited to enter a national Turntablism competition each year in partnership with Leicestershire Music Hub.

## **Part B: Extra-curricular music**

The school offers a range of one-to-one, small-group and large-group music tuition beyond the core music curriculum during the school day. These are provided for:

- Choir
- Piano
- Guitar
- Bass guitar
- Drums
- Vocals

Some instruments are provided by the school and/or the visiting peripatetic teacher for lessons in school and are bought by parents for rehearsal at home.

Pupils in years 3-6 also have the opportunity to join the school choir, which rehearses at lunch times with choir leader and Badgerbrook SENDco, Donna Kirby. The choir performs yearly at our local care home and joins the Badgerbrook Musical Evening for a showcase performance every summer term.

Children in years 4-6 are invited to join Badgerbrook Band, which is free to join and rehearses weekly in school time – run by Band leader, year 6 teacher and Music co-lead Anna Wolloff. The Band welcomes a mixture of traditional classical and rock instruments and sometimes join up with budding vocalists in the school for performances too. They perform once at Christmastime – usually at the school fair or during an assembly, and they also take part in the Badgerbrook Musical Evening every summer.

Outside of school, several of our students have private instrumental lessons where they take Trinity or ABRSM grades, and some are in bands such as the Enderby Wind/Brass bands.

Every summer term the Badgerbrook Musical evening invites solo instrumentalists, Choir, Badgerbrook band and year 6 vocalists to take part in an evening showcase performance for parents.

## **Part C: Musical experiences**

Singing in class develops a repertoire ready for our weekly singing assemblies. A wide range of repertoire is used, sometimes to reflect events, themes or countries relevant to our lives and learning at the time.

Pupils have the following opportunities to perform in concerts throughout their time at our school:

- EYFS and Year 2: Musical Nativity (December)
- Year 1 – Christmas Carols morning with parents
- Year 3,4,5,6 – Badgerbrook Musical Evening (June/July)
- Year 6 Leavers' Performance (June/July)

Pupils taking instrumental tuition have opportunities to perform in assemblies throughout the academic year.

Pupil in the school choir perform for the local care home once a year, perform at the school fairs and take part in the Badgerbrook Musical Evening in the summer term. They are also invited to perform at PTA events throughout the year.

Badgerbrook band perform at Christmas in assembly and/or the school fair and take part in Badgerbrook Musical Evening in the summer term.

## **In the future**

To further enhance our music provision, the school development plan includes the following aims for 25-26:

- Investigate classroom instrumental learning and progression opportunities for years 3 and 4.
- Develop class performance opportunities for year 3, 4 and 5.
- Monitor the growth of singing in class (outside of music lesson times) leading towards becoming a "singing school".
- Have a "Quality Mark" meeting with Leicestershire Music Hub to identify areas of strength and those for development.