

St Oswald's CE Primary School

Music Development Plan



Looking at Jesus as our example, he demonstrates how to live out our Christian values; **inspiring** hope and ambition; **embracing** challenge and difference; **succeeding** by achieving excellence in one's self.

Inspire, Embrace, Succeed

'I have come that they may have life - and life in all its fullness.'

John 10:10

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Music Development Plan Summary: St Oswald's CE Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Sarah Collins
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Severn Arts
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Rocksteady

This is a summary of how St Oswald's CE Primary 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.

Our aim is to deliver a thorough, engaging and inclusive music curriculum through regular classroom lessons which will develop a love of music, build musical skills and increase cultural awareness. We do this through:

Weekly curriculum time – all children receive a timetabled weekly music session of at least 45 minutes. These lessons incorporate listening, singing, instrument skills performing and composing skills.

Curriculum resources – we use Charanga across the school to structure our music curriculum and to fulfil the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum.

Instrumental learning – KS1 children play a range of percussion instruments and the glockenspiels. Children in Year 3 participate in the FAME music program. We also use the Play -On program in Year 4 for children who want to continue learning their instrument

to a higher level.

Assessment – St Oswald's has a music progression document which outlines how musical skills are developed from Y1-Y6. Children's progress in music is continually assessed by teachers and recorded on each year groups foundation subject assessment document.

Special projects – children across the school take part in musical performances. In YR, Y1 and Y2, the children take part in the Christmas nativity. Y3 pupils showcase their FAME instrument learning in our annual summer music concert. Y4 & 5 participate in Young Voices. Y6 perform in their end of year production. Whole school singing also forms an important part of our daily collective worship.

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.

Individual lessons- pupils in KS2 have the opportunity to learn an instrument of their choice to a high standard through individual or small group tuition provided by Severn Arts. We currently have guitar, keyboard and saxophone lessons taking place. We offer financial assistance for these lessons for pupils in receipt of pupil premium funding. All pupils receiving lessons showcase their skills in our annual summer music concert.

Rocksteady – children across the school have the opportunity to join a Rocksteady band. These children perform to the school and their parents three times a year.

Choir – we have a school choir, that meets weekly, comprising. The choir perform at local events (such as local Christmas lights switch on) and to the school at our annual music concert.

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.

School performances – EYFS/KS1 nativity play, KS2 carol concert, school summer music concert.

Collective worship singing and special assemblies attended by parents – Harvest Festival, Easter, Remembrance service.

Rocksteady Concerts

Young Voices – Y4 & 5

Christmas choir performance

In the future

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

Continuous improvement – continue to monitor provision and support teachers to ensure all music lessons are engaging and meeting the needs of all learners.

Further increase access to specialised music tuition through liaison with Severn Arts and a relaunch of Rocksteady.

This plan reflects St Oswald's C.E. Primary School's commitment to a well-rounded music education, supporting students' academic and creative growth through music.