

## Music development plan summary: Gretton Primary School

### Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Mrs E Sollis
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mr A Sallis
Name of local music hub	Gloucestershire Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Kapow Music Works, Gloucestershire The Music Guru (Piano lessons)

## PART A: Published Music Curriculum

At Gretton Primary School we use the Kapow music scheme for all year groups (Reception to Year 6) and this is published on our website and can be accessed here: [Gretton Primary School - Music](#)

This includes:

- Long-term plans for each class.
- Our Intent, Implementation and Impact statements.
- Curriculum progression in singing, listening, composing, performing and musicianship.

Further information about SEND provision can be found here: **SEND Information Report:** [Gretton Primary School - SEND](#)

### Curriculum Time Allocation

Music is taught weekly in all year groups as part of our broad and balanced curriculum.

- **EYFS and Key Stage 1 (Years 1–2):** 1 hour per week (6 half-terms)
- **Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3–4):** 1 hour per week (6 half-terms)
- **Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5–6):** 1 hour per week (6 half-terms)

In addition, pupils take part in regular singing assemblies and performance opportunities throughout the year.

### Curriculum Guidance

Our music curriculum is informed by:

- Kapow Music Scheme – two year rolling curriculum
- The National Curriculum for Music (2014)
- Best practice guidance from our local music hub

Our curriculum is sequenced to ensure clear progression in:

- Pulse, rhythm and pitch
- Singing and vocal technique
- Listening and appraising
- Composing and improvising
- Performing with increasing confidence and musicality

### Singing and Instrumental Opportunities

All pupils:

- Participate in weekly curriculum music lessons
- Take part in weekly singing assemblies
- Perform in school productions, church events and celebration events.
- Children are also offered the opportunity to take part in Young Voices throughout KS2.

In Y1/2 children take part in Violin Lessons for a 10 week period in the Autumn Term.

In Y5/6 children take part in Ipad Music Sessions for a 10 week period in the Spring Term, via Music Works.

Additional piano lessons are available through peripatetic teachers.

### **Inclusion and Access**

We are committed to ensuring that all pupils can access and enjoy music. We:

- Adapt instruments and equipment where necessary
- Use visual supports and differentiated resources
- Provide scaffolded composition and performance tasks
- Work closely with the SENDCo to ensure reasonable adjustments are made
- Offer alternative notation systems and assistive technology where appropriate

Music is an inclusive subject at our school, and we actively encourage participation from all pupils, regardless of background or need.

### **Partnerships**

We work in partnership with our local Music Hub to:

- Deliver whole-class instrumental teaching
- Provide instrumental tuition
- Access CPD for staff

We also engage with external music education organisations to enhance live music experiences and workshops for pupils.

## **PART B: Co-curricular music**

In addition to weekly curriculum music lessons, our school offers a range of musical opportunities beyond lesson time.

### **Instrumental and Vocal Tuition**

Pupils can access one-to-one piano tuition delivered by specialist peripatetic teachers, via a local music company, The Music Guru.

Instrumental lessons are charged termly. Subsidies or remissions are available for pupils eligible for Pupil Premium.

### **Ensembles and Choirs**

Pupils can take part in a range of ensembles, including:

- Young Voices Club (KS2) which results in a large musical performance at an arena in Birmingham.
- Violin lessons in KS1.
- Production performances and seasonal concerts, e.g. Christmas Nativity (EYFS and KS1), Christmas Church Worship (Lower KS2), End of Year Production (Upper KS2)

School-led ensembles are free to join and open to pupils from the relevant year groups. Rehearsals take place weekly after school or during school time.

### **Progression and Musical Development**

Pupils are supported to make progress through:

- Opportunities to perform regularly
- Access to instrument loans
- The option to work towards graded music examinations where appropriate

We are committed to ensuring that financial circumstances do not prevent pupils from participating fully in music.

## **PART C: Musical Experiences**

Throughout the academic year, pupils take part in a wide range of musical experiences, both in and beyond the classroom.

### **Singing and Assembly**

All pupils participate in regular singing assemblies each week. These sessions develop vocal skills, musicianship and confidence, and form an important part of our school's musical life. They perform their songs in Celebration Assembly every Friday.

### **Performances and Productions**

Pupils have opportunities to perform regularly throughout the year, including:

- Nativity performances (EYFS and KS1)
- Christmas Church Worship (Lower KS1)
- End of Year Production (Upper KS2)
- Seasonal concerts and celebration events, e.g. Harvest service, singing at village events.

All pupils take part in at least one performance each year, either as performers or as members of the audience. Families are invited to attend key performances.

### **Young Voices**

Each year, pupils in Key Stage 2 are offered the opportunity to take part in Young Voices, performing as part of a large choir in a major arena concert in Birmingham. This is an optional opportunity open to relevant year groups, and pupils rehearse both in school and at home before the event.

Costs for Young Voices are shared with families; however, we aim to keep charges as low as possible and offer financial support or subsidies for families eligible for Pupil Premium.

We are committed to ensuring that all pupils experience live music, have opportunities to perform, and develop a lifelong appreciation of music.

## **PART D: Future Development**

We are committed to continually improving our music provision. Planned developments include:

- Embedding one hour of curriculum music per week for all year groups.
- Expanding whole-class instrumental teaching and broadening the range of instruments offered.
- Continuing involvement in Young Voices and increasing opportunities to experience live music through visiting musicians and external events.
- Providing further staff training to support high-quality music teaching.

These improvements aim to ensure inclusive, progressive and high-quality musical experiences for all pupils.