



Music development plan summary: Arundel Court Primary Academy



Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
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Name of the school music lead	Michelle Walters
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Portsmouth Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Children at Arundel Court Primary Academy receive a 20minute assembly each week dedicated to our 'Music of the Month' alongside music curriculum lessons taught by class teachers and music specialists. These lessons are taught within 4 units each year which averages to approximately 30 minutes each week. The music planning is taken from the KAPOW spiral music curriculum. The children learn a variety of skills involving all the key aspects of music including; performing, composing, appraising and listening.

Children in Year 4 learn a brass instrument as a whole class ensemble taught by music specialists. This culminates with a final performance with other children from across the city.

We work closely with Portsmouth Music Hub in order to provide children opportunities to play a variety of different musical instruments.

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.

At Arundel Court Primary Academy, we have a thriving choir, run by the Director of Music at our local church of St Marys. The choir meet weekly throughout the year and are given opportunities to perform. The choir is free and open to all children (from years 3 -6) who want to join.

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.

At Arundel Court Primary Academy, the children have a chance to listen to a range of different genres of music throughout the school day, with a specific focus on a genre within our weekly 'Music of the Month' assemblies.

Throughout the year, they have the opportunity to experience a variety of different professional performances as they arise. This includes concerts organised by the Portsmouth Music Hub and by other outside agencies, such as Proms in the Park.

Other performance opportunities at Arundel Court Primary Academy include:

- *EYFS Christmas Performance to parents
- *Year 1 Christmas Carol Performance to parents
- *Whole School (Nursery – Year 6) Christmas Carols Service at St Marys Church
- *Year 6 End of Year Talent Show

In the future

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

In the future, at Arundel Court Primary Academy, we plan to:

- *Continue to offer quality learning experiences to all year groups where all children are challenged and supported,

*Further develop our curriculum to ensure clear progression within learning across all year groups and key stages,

*Provide opportunities for children to become involved in extra-curricular music activities,

*Provide more opportunities for children to listen to, be inspired by and experience live performances by professional musicians