

Music development plan summary: Collis Primary School



Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-25
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2025
Name of the school music lead	Debbie Bartholomew
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Sophie Macartney
Name of local music hub	Richmond Music Trust
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.

Collis has a detailed progression for Music to ensure the children build on their skills and knowledge year on year in the key areas of listening, appraising, improvising, composing and performing through singing and playing instruments. The Sing Up music scheme is used for each year group from EYFS to Year 6 to ensure this progression. Sing Up covers a broad and diverse range of repertoire, approaches, and musical traditions, and supports a fully integrated approach to musical development. Sing Up meets the requirements of the National Curriculum, the Model Music Curriculum, the Statutory Framework for Early Years Foundation Stage and Musical Development Matters.

Reception children have small group music activities for ten minutes per week in the first term. In addition to this, in the spring and summer terms, they have 45 minute class music lessons.

Year 1 children have 1-hour class music lessons every other half term, alternating with 30-minute percussion lessons.

Year 2 children have 1-hour class music lessons every other half term, and 30-minute recorder lessons throughout the year.

Year 3 children have 8 x 40-minute Wider Opportunities string lessons in the autumn term delivered by teachers from the Richmond Music Trust. In subsequent terms they have 1-hour class music lessons every other half term.

Year 4 – 6 children have 1-hour class music lessons every other half term.

All of our children participate in their key stage singing assemblies for 30 minutes every week. Each singing assembly begins with listening to a piece of music from a wide range of musical styles and some information about the composer / musical genre. This is followed by warm-up exercises to develop better singing voices, and appreciation of pulse, rhythm and pitch. Then we learn songs from a wide variety of styles, learning to sing in call and response style, with actions, in unison, rounds and parts as appropriate to the children's age and ability.

To view more detail of our music provision for each year group, follow this link to our music progression grid *****

To view more detail of how we support pupils with special educational needs (SEND), follow this link *****

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.

One-to-one and small-group tuition is available in school through the Richmond Music Trust. Currently, we have peripatetic teachers for piano, guitar, violin, cello and percussion. Instruments can be loaned from Richmond Music Trust. These lessons and instrument hire is charged for.

All children from Years 5 and 6 are invited to join the Young Voices choir each autumn term until the concert at the O2 Arena in January / February. (There are 60 places.) This is run by Mrs Bartholomew and is not charged for, although children are required to buy a t-shirt for the performance and parents have to pay for tickets to be in the audience.

All children from Years 3 and 4 are invited to join the Primary Singing Festival choir and runs from the spring term until the concert at the Rose Theatre. (There are 30 places.) This is run by Mrs Bartholomew and is not charged for, but parents have to pay for tickets to be in the audience.

Other opportunities offered by Richmond Music:

- Junior Strings is open to string players who are Grade 0-2 at Waldegrave School on Saturday 8:30am - 9:15am
- The Richmond Youth Training Orchestra is open to children who are Grade 3-5 at Waldegrave School on Saturday 9:30am - 10:30am
- Drum and Percussion Ensemble is open to children who are Grade 0-3 at RMT, Briar Road, Twickenham on Tuesday 5:15pm - 6:30pm

- Richmond Junior Brass Band is open to children who are Grade 0-2 at Waldegrave School on Saturday 8:30am - 9:15am
- Richmond Junior Concert Band is open to children who are Grade 0-3 at Waldegrave School on Wednesday 5:40pm - 6:40pm
- Music Makers is a Foundation Course for Year 1 children. Music Makers prepares pupils for learning an instrument by helping to develop fundamental musicianship skills

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.

Assemblies:

Each class leads a class assembly and a year group sharing assembly during the course of the year which include the classes performing a song of their choice. At other assemblies, children sing at least one communal song. EYFS and KS1 children take part in a Birthday Assembly once a month where they perform three songs to parents and Y2 children perform a recorder piece. As mentioned previously, all children participate in their key stage singing assemblies for 30 minutes every week.

Musical performances / Concerts in school:

Christmas – each year group perform a musical presentation for parents.

Y1 sing a selection of Christmas songs

Y2 perform a musical Nativity play

Y3 and Y4 sing a selection of Christmas songs

Y5 and Y6 put on a Christmas Concert with songs and instrumental pieces by individual children

Year 6 summer production - The whole of Y6 work together to perform a musical which includes singing, dancing and acting

Concerts out of school:

Y5 and Y6 choir sing at the Young Voices concert at the O2 Arena

Y3 and Y4 choir sing at the Primary Singing Festival at the Rose Theatre

In the future

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

- Introduce a spring concert to showcase individual musicians or small groups that are learning instruments, spring 2025
- To start a drumming club
- To reinstate an orchestra or string ensemble
- Arrange a trip to a professional concert
- Arrange a music workshop at school by visiting musicians, summer 2025

Further information (optional)

- To find out more about what Richmond Music Trust offer contact them directly on this link: <https://www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/site/>
- 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.