

Music development plan summary: Colindale Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Emma Hurn
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Barnet Education Arts 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.

Music is taught in class every week and is informed by the Model Music Curriculum (March 2021).

Each year group receives between 30 minutes and 45 minutes of music lessons each week. Lessons are taught by class teachers or a music specialist. Teaching is supported by a bespoke music curriculum which includes aspects of the Charanga music scheme, the Sing Up music scheme and ensemble music lessons.

Pupils with SEND participate in all music lessons. Adapted instruments are provided where necessary.

Pupils in years 1-6 learn to sing and play the glockenspiel during Charanga Music lessons.

Pupils in year 3 learn an instrument as a whole-class ensemble taught by music specialists from Barnet Education Arts Trust. This project lasts 10 weeks and culminates in a concert where pupils perform to an audience.

Pupils in year 4 learn to play the recorder as a whole-class ensemble taught by our specialist music teacher.

Pupils in year 5 learn to play percussion instruments as part of a Samba music ensemble taught by our specialist music teacher.

Pupils in EYFS have opportunities to explore and play musical instruments and sing songs and rhymes each day through continuous provision activities.

Pupils in years 1-6 participate in a 20-minute weekly singing assembly.

Part B: Extra-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.

We currently offer individual peripatetic lessons through BEAT.

Our Key Stage 2 Choir rehearses once a week for a variety of performances throughout the year. All choir lessons are free.

Pupils have the opportunity to join a band through our Rocksteady Music School band lessons. Pupils can learn to sing, play the electric keyboard, drums or guitar.

Individual and small group lessons are funded by parents. The school offers bursaries for children entitled to Pupil Premium.

Children have the opportunity to join the BEAT Music Academy which offer a wide variety of music sessions such as the Academy Choir, ensembles and bands.

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.

Throughout the year, children have a number of opportunities to join in musical events both in and outside of school.

In Years 1-6, children perform songs in their Class Assembly. Class Assemblies are held every Friday.

Children perform the songs they have learnt in singing assemblies to the Senior Leaders on a regular basis.

Children sing as a whole school (year 1-6) in our annual Harvest Assembly and Christmas Carol Concert.

Reception and Nursery children perform Christmas songs to their parents.

Children in Year 2 participate in the annual Infant Music Festival.

The KS2 choir perform in the Young Voices Concert at the O2 Arena and the Barnet Music Festival every year. They also sing Christmas carols for Barnet Council to raise funds for charity each year. This year, the choir will perform in the All Under One Sky concert at the Royal Albert Hall.

29 Year 6 choir members are going on a trip to see The Lion King musical in the Lyceum Theatre in November. Stalls tickets were offered at a reduced price of £10 from the Our First Show Disney Theatrical Group initiative.

30 Year 4 & 5 choir members are going to see the Starlight Express musical in the Troubadour Theatre in February. Tickets are free and funded by a John Lyon's Charity Grant.

Children in the Rocksteady Music Bands perform to the whole school twice annually.

There is an annual Talent Show, where children perform musical instruments and songs to the whole school.

Children in Year 6 perform songs in their Graduation Ceremony and Year 6 End of Year Production.

Year 3 children perform in a concert at the end of their 10 week music ensemble lessons.

In the future

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

We will continue to look at ways to increase participation in peripatetic music lessons. Provide more frequent opportunities for children who learn instruments to perform. We will continue to provide our staff with CPD to continue to develop their confidence and subject knowledge.

Further information

[BEAT \(Barnet Education Arts Trust\)](#) supports schools in delivering high-quality music education by providing instrumental and vocal tuition, whole-class teaching, ensembles, and performance opportunities. It also offers curriculum support, teacher training, and resources to help schools meet the aims of the National Plan for Music Education.

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.