Music development plan summary: Highfield Middle School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	September 2024 to July 2025
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Mrs A Platt
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	MPN
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

Curriculum music

Our goal is to ensure that all children have a positive and enriching music education experience, regardless of any special educational needs and disadvantages they may have. We will continue to work to provide a supportive and inclusive learning environment for all students through offering a range of inhouse lessons and peripatetic opportunities.

We provide the following provision at Highfield Middle School;

- KS2 and KS3 have a 55 minute lesson per week with a music specialist. The curriculum allows for all pupils to learn about a 'world' music, a historical period of music as well as more contemporary genres.
- To provide opportunities for 1:1 and small group lessons in the following areas: guitar, piano, recorders, keyboard, trumpet and flute. This is either through blocks of whole class instrument teaching in Year 5 or through private lessons supplied by Music Partnership North peri teachers.
- Choir for KS2 and KS3
- Christmas Concert/Talent Show
- Summer Production involving singing, dancing and acting.

Extracurricular music

Music Tuition is offered and bookable through Music Partnership North for the following instruments:

- Keyboard
- Guitar
- Trumpet
- Drums

These sessions are for small groups and last for 30 minutes. This is billed through Music Partnership North. Parents can opt to loan an instrument free of charge through Music Partnership North.

Pupils are encouraged to join a variety of ensembles throughout the academic year. These include a woodwind ensemble, choir and a Summer Show cast.

These lessons and opportunities are provided for in a specialist music room and practice room.

Musical Performances

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.

Pupils have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of musical performances throughout the school year including;

- Singing at the local churches Carol service at Christmas
- Winter Concert in collaboration with Ovingham Middle School and Prudhoe Community High School.
- Talent Show
- Summer Show
- Year 6 to attend a workshop through the Royal Opera House.

There will no charge to participate in the following performances with the exception of the Royal Opera House in which a voluntary donation to cover transport cost will be suggested.

Action Points for the future

To assess the success of the Key Stage 3 music curriculum and create a year 8 progression document based on the feedback of this along with transition meetings with Prudhoe Community High School.

To evaluate the impact of the new music progression document and edit accordingly to make it successful for all.

To review staff needs in terms of CPD and support.

To increase outreach with secondary schools by discussing the potential of opportunities with Prudhoe Community High School.