



**St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Music
Development Plan 2024 - 2025**

Overview

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| Academic year that this summary covers | 2024/25 |
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| Name of the school music lead | C Sims |
| Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different) | M Ryan J Conwell |
| Name of local music hub | TVMS |
| Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place) | Joseph Hammill Faith through Music Tees Valley Music Rock Steady Music |

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.

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.

At St. Patricks , we have timetabled music lessons in all year groups as well as music appreciation and enrichment for all classes. We use the Charanga music scheme for our lessons which is aligned to the National Curriculum for Music, but we have adapted this to suit the needs for our school to ensure that our teaching builds progressive music vocabulary and the recall of essential learning is prioritised. When using the scheme and its progressive week-by-week lessons, we are guaranteeing to be meeting all the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum and progress is evident through

observations, class books and discussions with pupils and staff. Discussions with children have demonstrated an increasing knowledge of key music vocabulary being recalled. Observations have shown all pupils engaged and active during the lessons, including SEND. We apply the adaptive teaching model so that SEND pupils are included and their needs catered for. Obviously the spectrum of SEND needs is very wide and where bespoke arrangements are needed with reasonable adjustments, we do this. We have a wide range of instruments that can be used in the lessons and our curriculum to enhance learning opportunities. Our music appreciation ensures a variety of music and genres are listened to and discussed - this is within assemblies, prayer and reflection time in classes. Teachers are confident with musical elements and teaching children how to listen and appreciate a piece of music.

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.

At St. Patrick's we are fortunate to have many opportunities for the children to develop their music skills. Singing opportunities within school create passionate pupils who love to sing. We have an active dynamic choir, currently the North East Winner of the Choir of the Year. Assemblies take place with a wide range of songs being learnt and performed. The children take part with confidence and enthusiasm.

We have an extensive range of music tuition available via TVMS with a wide range of instruments being learnt, these include; Keyboards, Guitars, Ukuleles. Additional opportunities are offered through RockSteady. These are offered to children in Year 3 to Year 6. These children are then encouraged to join performances to build confidence and esteem. For many years, we have taken part in local singing festivals across the Tees Valley with a choir of around 40 to 50 children. Throughout the year our children enjoy taking part in Christmas productions, music performances locally within organised events, carols, and music celebrations.

Whole school end of year musical productions are a highlight of the year and give the pupils memorable opportunities to showcase and share their talents. Attendance at these events is fantastic and parents love these moments.

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 St. Patrick's, we utilise strong links with the Tees Valley music service to encourage instrumentalists to progress to performing in ensembles. Parents and carers are fully supportive of music making and school productions are hugely important. Music is played and appreciated every morning in school with a range of themes and genres - this can be in general lesson time, music lessons, prayer and worship time and in assemblies and in moments of reflection. We have developed good links with the TVMS and local musician Joe Hammill where musicians have worked with our children and produced beautiful pieces of singing and music which we showcase directly with parents and celebrate on social media. They have also provided us opportunities for our families to attend school performances outside school. We have a strong online presence of promoting music and signposting parents and carers to music opportunities.

In the Future

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

In the subsequent years to come, we are planning to build on our music progress by reevaluating the current curriculum to upskill in-line with the model music curriculum. We are going to continue to develop children's composition skills and the notation of this. We will continue to promote our school choir and children's performance skills with more opportunities to perform throughout the year, with our local music hub and in the community. We would love to provide our children with more opportunities to watch live music performances and develop a strong pupil voice. Furthermore, we will continue to provide our staff with CPD to continue to develop their confidence and subject knowledge.

Further information

Please access the school website for further information: <https://stpatrickscp.npcat.org.uk/>

For the services of TVMS these can be accessed here: <https://www.tvms.org.uk/>