

Music development plan summary: *Normanton-on-Soar Primary School*

All schools should have a music development plan from academic year 2023-24. Schools are expected to publish a summary of their plan on their website from academic year 2024-25.

This template is designed to support schools to produce the summary. It should set out how the school will deliver high-quality music provision in curriculum music, co-curricular music and musical experiences, taking into account the key features in the [national plan for music education](#):

- timetabled curriculum music of at least one hour each week of the school year for key stages 1 to 3
- access to lessons across a range of instruments, and voice
- a school choir or vocal ensemble
- a school ensemble, band or group
- space for rehearsals and individual practice
- a termly school performance
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year

The summary should reflect your school's music provision for the given school year and your plans for subsequent years. It should also refer to any existing partnership with your local music hub or other music education organisations that supports the school with music provision.

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Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2023-2024
Date this summary was published	March 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Nikki McLeman
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Nikki McLeman (over seen by Sarah Philpott)
Name of local music hub	Inspire
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.

At Normanton-on-Soar, we have timetabled music lessons in all year groups. We use the Sing Up music scheme for our lessons which is aligned to the National Curriculum for Music. 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, Seesaw and pupil feedback discussions. In EYFS, they have daily singing, to help them develop their listening skills, memory, movement and creativity. Discussions with the children have demonstrated an increasing knowledge of key music vocabulary being recalled and children report that they particularly enjoy the lessons. We have a wide range of instruments that can be used in the lessons and our curriculum. Our music appreciation ensures a variety of music and genres are listened to and discussed. Ensuring all children every year will play an instrument. Teachers have been encouraged to film the children sing/perform with instruments so that over the course, the children and teachers can see the development and progress made.

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 Normanton-on-Soar, we are fortunate to have many opportunities for the children to develop their music skills. We have weekly singing assemblies which take place with a wide range of songs and genres being learnt and performed, each time the children take part with confidence and enthusiasm. We have just developed our links with our music hub, Inspire. They are focusing on Year 1 & 2 who are developing good knowledge and skills using the Ukuleles and Glockenspiels. Throughout the year, all our children enjoy taking part in a Christmas production, musical performances and singing within class assemblies which are performed to parents and peers. We have some children who take part in music hub performances outside of school. As an extra tuition during lesson time East Midlands Drumming tuition come into school to teach

any age child, the drums, guitar or ukulele. These lessons are paid for by parents or PP funding can be used. These children are encouraged to perform to the rest of the school and parents the instrument they have been learning. When the Year 6 leave, they produce a leaving assembly which is filled with their favourite songs and music over the years. Allowing them to highlight their talents that they have developed.

The trust lead singing events that the children are able to take part in and plans in place to join a local school choir so that the children can experience singing in a choir. The size of this school makes singing in a choir challenging.

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 Normanton-on-Soar, we celebrate each week our singing assemblies and have a diverse and wide range of genres. We have had strong support from parents during the class and Christmas performances too. Also, the musical performances that have taken place with East Midlands Drumming Tuition. This enables all the children who have been having tutor lessons to showcase their learning. We have just developed links with East Leake Academy who will allow us to watch some of their talented children so our children can watch, listen and appreciate their talents. Through all of these, hopefully it will inspire other children to learn an instrument or to continue to sing. There is an opportunity for the Pupil Premium children to be offered the extra tuition.

Planned events include monthly visits from musicians to inspire the children

Regular videos of orchestras used in lessons and assemblies

Class assemblies during the year including Christmas performance and end of year show

In the future

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

We have developed our links with East Leake Academy, and we hope they will be able to visit us at Normanton or we will be able to go and visit them. The drumming tutor

and guitar tutor will be performing and a previous pupil who is very talented to the children. We have the opportunity to provide breakfast club, every morning a different piece of music is played to provide the children with different genres and styles of music. The parents have been asked if there are any parents or people, they know who are musicians, who could come and play to the children. Contacts have been developed with an East Leake music group to see if they are willing to come and sing and play to the children.

- Termly performances – class assemblies more regularly
- Teaching glockenspiels – staff training booked for July 2025
- Join a local choir to expand numbers
- Take part in trust wide musical experiences

Further information (optional)

In the subsequent years to come, we are planning to build on our music progress by re-evaluating the current curriculum to ensure the core coverage is being achieved. We are going to continue to develop children's composition skills and ensure each year group across the school can learn and play an instrument. To develop a better link 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.

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.

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.

If your school is part of a multi-academy trust with a trust-wide music development plan, you may also want to include a link to any published information on this plan.