Music Development Plan – Summary

Milton Parochial Primary School

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 to 2025
Date this summary was published	October 2024
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Name of the school music lead	Rachel Scott
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Rachel Scott
Name of local music hub	NMPAT
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

The Music Curriculum - Core
At Milton Parochial Primary School, music is taught weekly by class teachers, from Reception to Year 6. Each class has a one-hour lesson per week including the whole school Hymn Worship, with children working as a whole class or in small groups In Reception music is taught weekly in 20 minute lessons from Charanga alongside weekly Hymn Worships. The music area is a permanent area of the outside continuous provision allowing the children to experiment with instruments and implement what they have been learning in lessons. Planning is based on Charanga ensuring our planned curriculum matches the scope and ambition of the Model Music Curriculum: 2021. During half terms that classes have preparation for class performances including KS1 Nativity and the Year 6 Leaver's Play, the music lessons will consist of learning to sing the songs from the productions. Content is adapted and scaffolded so that it meets the needs of our school and to ensure that all children are able to access the curriculum. Our music lessons are taught using the same high quality adaptive teaching principles that we use across all other curriculum areas. Within music, planning also identifies: • Musical elements to be addressed • Key vocabulary • Background information and teaching tips • Assessment opportunities. The whole programme of musical education focuses on practical music making for all, through singing, performing and associated listening, appraising and compositional tasks. **First Access** Milton Parochial Primary School has a close relationship with NMPAT which underpins our First Access offer, ensuring that all our children have the opportunity to play a musical instrument as they move through the school. We want to our children to know the enjoyment, self-achievement, interest and understanding of playing an instrument: • Each year, Year 3 &4 have a 10 week learning block with NMPAT leaders. This has included samba, violin, recorder and ukelele.

These experiences provide opportunities for children to understand notation; engage and play a range of instruments which they may wish to pursue on an individual basis. The children also use these instruments for performances and in weekly class music lessons when appropriate.

Milton Parochial Primary School recognises that Music can play an especially important role in the development and well-being of children with SEND. We therefore:

- Encourage all children with Special Educational Needs are to express themselves through music.
- Ensure that any interventions are not timetabled in a way that prevents SEND pupils accessing the music curriculum.
- Adapt instruments, where needed, to allow all to participate fully in musical tasks and/or focus on those instruments that are easier to manipulate.
- Work with specialists to meet the needs of children with hearing impairments.
- Adapt other resources according to need, e.g. large print for lyrics and xylophone labels for children with visual impairments.
- Provide ear defenders if needed.

The Music Curriculum – Additional Opportunities

Instrument Lessons

Peripatetic music teachers offer lessons in:

- Woodwind
- Piano
- Ukelele
- Guitar

These lessons are held within school hours and monitored by the Music Curriculum Leader. The lessons have to be paid for by parents / guardians but the pupil premium can be used to enable disadvantaged pupils to access them if they choose. Instruments are available on loan from the music service for any child wanting to participate in these lessons. An annual report is written by the peripatetic teachers and parents can request a meeting to discuss their child's progress.

Details on applying for these lessons are sent out to parents/guardians on a regular basis and further information can be found on our school website.

During this meeting the music specialist seeks to encourage instrument playing by showcasing instruments and outlining terms and conditions for these lessons. Children are encouraged to play these instruments in ensembles, weekly class music lessons and performances when opportunities arise.

Extra-Curricular Activities

Children have opportunities to take part in extracurricular activities after school, including:

- Performing Arts Club (run by an external provider)
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The school has a positive working relationship with NMPAT and actively encourages children to join one of the local Music and Arts Centres.

Musical Experiences
Children at Milton Parochial Primary School have many varied opportunities to perform, experience and engage in musical experiences as they move through the school. These include: • Young Voices performance at Birmingham Resorts World Arena biannually. • The Big Sing for all year 4 children in the summer term at the Derngate theatre • School productions – harvest, remembrance, Christingle, carol service, nativity production, Easter performance, leavers events. • Christmas pantomime for all year groups to watch at the theatre
Future Plans
During the 2026/27 academic year, name of school, is intending to extend and deepen its offer in music by: • Ensure children taking peripatetic instrument lessons have consistent opportunities to use them in music lessons / Collective Worship. • Ensure that the developed music teaching space is used effectively to enable children to access a range of musical experiences, including instruments and performance. Within the next three years we aim to: • Access lessons across a range of instruments, and voice • Opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year in school for all year groups

Additional information can be found on the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust (NMPAT) website Home - NMPAT.
Rutland Music is part on NMPAT - Rutland Music - NMPAT
Peterborough Music Hub: Peterborough Music Hub – Music education, funding and events in Peterborough.