

Music development plan summary: Kingsmoor Academy

Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Stephanie Nelmes
Name of local music hub	Greater Essex Music Hub: Essex Music Service

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.

Kingsmoor Academy follow the National Curriculum for teaching music; also following the non-statutory Model Music Curriculum, published by the DfE in March 2021. The Music Curriculum schemes of work for Kingsmoor Academy are published on the schools' website.

Music is taught for one hour overall each week – this is via class lessons, singing assemblies, rehearsals for productions and sessions delivered by specialists. Kingsmoor Academy follows the Charanga Scheme of Work; taught by class teachers. Through the Charanaga scheme, children will have the opportunity to play instruments during their music lessons. In addition to this, children in KS2 will learn to play African drums during Carnival week through workshops with specialists. Year 4 will also learn to play the ukulele through whole-class ensemble teaching, delivered by the Essex Schools' Music Service.

We partner with Greater Essex Music Hub and [Essex Music Service](#) to support musical opportunities for our pupils.

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.

Children from EYFS all the way through to Year Six who show a particular interest in music, can join iRock where an external tutor attends Kingsmoor and gives them the opportunity to perform as a band to parents and children. Children work collaboratively to decide which instruments they will play and what song to sing.

Every year, KS2 pupils are given the opportunity to attend the O2 arena with the Young Voices choir, this is rehearsed during an after-school club that children sign up to and attend for a 12-16-week period depending on the performance date. Performing in front of a big audience has boosted our pupil's confidence and enhanced their self-esteem.

At least twice per year, children audition for 'Kingsmoor's Got Talent', whereby children are provided with a platform to develop and showcase their talents e.g. singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument.

At Kingsmoor all year groups have a weekly singing assembly led by the Music Lead, where the aim is to focus on the enjoyment of singing as a whole school choir, giving the children opportunities to engage with their prior musical knowledge.

Financial support for music is given during Carnival Week where the academy pays for African drumming workshops and resources to make their own instruments. We also pay for the subscription for Charanga. The academy provides financial support to Pupil Premium children, this is used to enable children to attend The Young Voices club, secure their place in the performance and provide all extras needed for this including a t-shirt to wear for the performance as well as coach travel. Additionally, iRock also provide one bursary place for a child to attend the sessions being delivered at school.

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.

All children sing regularly in singing assemblies. EYFS take part in two performances to the school and parents, a Christmas show and end of year Graduation show with opportunities to sing at our parent workshops.

KS1 take part in an annual Christmas show to the school and parents

Year 2 Join with other schools in Harlow during the summer term to take part in the music festival, usually hosted at Kingsmoor Academy

Year 5 and Year 6 also have links with a local secondary school where we join the audience to watch their amateur production of a West End show.

We hold a whole school musical event during Carnival week within the autumn term, during which children take part in African drumming workshops across the phases.

Our pupils in the Young Voices choir enjoy performing songs at our Christmas and summer Fetes as well as during 'Kingsmoor's Got Talent'.

More recently we have had live performances being delivered from 'Live Music Now' delivered via Zoom to children across KS1 and KS2.

In the future

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

Moving forward we want to ensure that one-hour music sessions are taught on a weekly basis in every class across KS1 and KS2. We want to offer a range of musical experiences involving performing to a wider community. We would also seek more opportunities to create links with both partners across Essex and our Multi Academy Trust.