

Music development plan summary: DOGSTHORPE INFANT SCHOOL

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
Date this summary was published	January 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	BECKY WATERS (TEMP ROLE)
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	PETERBOROUGH
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.

We continue to use the KAPOW Music scheme of work across the school and unit objectives are stated in our long-term plans which are on our school website. Our curriculum is ambitious and there is clear progression from Reception to Year 2.

All children are given the opportunities to explore and play tuned and untuned instruments, appropriate to our age group.

All classes teach music either weekly or in a block. Lessons are 30-45 mins long. In Key Stage One, we introduce children to WCIT where they learn to play the ocarina. These sessions are taught by staff.

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.

We develop a love of singing by using songs and rhymes across the curriculum. We have a weekly whole school singing practice where children learn songs to sing in our Shine Times (assemblies) and also school performances.

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.

During 2025-26, our children will engage in the following musical experiences:

- Year 2 will attend a Peterborough Music Hub performance of 'The Snowman' at the New Theatre.
- Year 2 will attend a concert by Britten Sinfonia (April 2026).
- Participate in regular singing practices and perform songs at our special Shine times and also our Christmas performances.
- All year groups will watch a pantomime performed by an external company who come into school.
- As much as possible, access theatre performances and workshops (online and live).

In the future

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

Our aims for 2025-26 are:

- All children to participate in a termly performance:
 - AUTUMN – Christmas performances – a variety of singing and opportunity to play musical instruments.
 - SPRING – 'Marvellous Musical Shine Time' – each year group does a short performance to showcase what they have been learning in Music.
 - SUMMER – Showcase Shine Times – as part of our end of year celebrations, each year group performs a special song.
- Embed singing into the life of the school and every child's experience and draw on a wide range of varied, relevant and appropriate repertoire.

Further information

Our Music Subject Leader left in July 2025. Due to current staff capacity, the Headteacher (Mrs Waters) is leading this subject on a temporary basis.