



## Music development plan summary – Church of Ascension Primary School

### Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2024
Name of the school music lead	Miss A Jones
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs L Mason
Name of local music hub	Dudley
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Dudley Performing Arts

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.

.Our school is very proud of its Music Curriculum and wider opportunities to appreciate, compose and perform music. Our curriculum overview can be found on the school's website. We use the Charanga scheme of work and resources to support non-specialist teachers to deliver high quality, appropriately challenging music lessons. In addition, Dudley Performing Arts teach one year group to play a musical instrument, as a class. The cost of this is covered by the school.

In addition to weekly music lessons, children are taught to sing with accuracy and fluency, in weekly hymn practice. Children have regular opportunities to perform such as Harvest Festival, Christmas, end of year productions, Trust choir events. Children have the opportunity to accompany hymns with untuned percussion, in assemblies.

## **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.

Following their whole class learning, children are encouraged to maintain learning the instrument already established or to pursue a different instrument, through lessons offered by Dudley Performing Arts. Many children do take up lessons.

We have a school choir who meet weekly, after school. They enjoy regular opportunities to perform to our local community as well as Trust wide opportunities. There is no charge to children

Our After School and Holiday clubs have a variety of tuned and untuned instruments that children can access.

## **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.

We value wider curriculum opportunities and staff are continually looking out for opportunities for children to appreciate live music. This includes visits outside of school and visitors to school. All children will view a live musical performance this year, funded by the school's Home School Association. Any children whose families are not able to cover the cost of a visit, the cost would be funded by school via the Pupil Premium funding.

## **In the future**

- We would like to increase the number of visits that children are able to attend to appreciate live music.
- We will encourage more children to participate in musical instrument lessons by inviting teachers from Dudley Performing Arts to showcase their instruments.
- We will offer a Key Stage 1 choir.