

Music development plan summary: Thomasson Memorial School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	July 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Charlotte Siggers
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Charlotte Siggers
Name of local music hub	Greater Manchester
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Minshall Music Ltd

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, extra-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 curriculum is available on our website.
- Our curriculum is informed by the model music curriculum (March 2021).
- In Primary, our music lessons are delivered by a music specialist – Minshall Music Ltd. In EYFS, our music lessons are delivered by the music subject leader.
- Music lessons are taught weekly.
- Minshall Music provide a range of tuned and untuned instruments according to the curriculum requirements. The children are provided with an instrument each.

- Throughout the curriculum there are opportunities to learn to play: ukulele, djembe drums, pBuzz, brass instruments (cornets/baritones), bucket drumming, singing/vocal skills, glockenspiels and boomwhackers.
- Opportunities to perform at the end of each term are provided often in an end of term concert or a class assembly.
- We have timetabled singing assemblies throughout the year.

Part B: Extra-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.

- Choir Club is run weekly. Children sign and sing.
- Recorder Club, Ocarina Club, Band Club are offered as extra-curricular clubs on rotation.
- Instruments are loaned from Minshall Music and change termly.
- All clubs are free of charge.

Part C: Musical events and performances

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.

- Singing assemblies are timetabled throughout the year.
- All children perform in the Harvest Festival, Christmas Concert and Summer Concert each year.
- Each class performs their own class assembly each term and singing and music are regularly part of these.
- The children learn songs linked to our PSHE scheme Jigsaw. They link to the theme of the half term.
- All events are free of charge.
- We take part in the Bolton School's Music Festival each year at the Victoria Halls.
- Brass Bands England bring a group of musicians each summer to perform a 'Proms in the Playground' event for the whole school to watch and enjoy.

In the future

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

- We aim to plan in more visits out to theatres, Bridgewater Hall events, Brass Bands England events.
- We aim to take the school choir to more community events/care homes to perform.