

Music development plan summary: Latimer Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Mrs V Charlesworth
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	-
Name of local music hub	Leicestershire Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Young Voices; DCP Drumming; David William Guitar Tutoring

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.

The Latimer Music Curriculum has been developed to ensure achievement, enjoyment and progression in music in line with National Curriculum expectations. Our curriculum has been developed in line with the Model Music Curriculum guidance (March 2021) for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

Our school website <https://www.latimerprimary.co.uk> provides further information of the units and skills taught to each year group from EYFS to Year 6.

Through our curriculum pupils are provided with the opportunity to learn how to sing and how to play an instrument. Opportunities currently include weekly singing assemblies in addition to voice lessons in class, learning how to play xylophones and other percussion instruments and whole class ensemble learning of how to play ukulele.

Latimer Primary is proud to work in partnership with Leicestershire Music, our Lead Local Music Hub, through which we access training for staff, instrument hire, model schemes of work to support effective delivery of our curriculum, and their Music Leader Network to ensure we keep providing quality music learning for all 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.

Outside of lesson time, pupils are offered further opportunities to develop their skills, knowledge and musicality. Pupils may sign up for one-to-one guitar lessons available through peripatetic music tuition (from Year 3 upwards), small group drumming lessons (from EYFS to Year 6) and our Young Voices Choir (Year 5 & 6).

There is a small charge to parents for guitar and drumming lessons. The Young Voices choir sessions are free of charge to attend, with some costs attached for transport t-shirts for pupils who wish to attend the massed choir event later in the year. The school covers the cost of music tuition and/or attending the Young Voices concert for pupils entitled to Pupil Premium funding.

Further information can be accessed by contacting our school office on office@latimer.leics.sch.uk

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.

For this academic year we have the following musical experiences planned:

- EYFS Nativity Play
- Year 1 Christmas Performance
- Year 2 Christmas Carol Concert
- Year 6 end of year production (either a film or stage performance)
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – a chance for any Year 6 children to showcase their talents one last time.
- Drumming assemblies to showcase learning to parents for pupils receiving tuition.
- Guitar videos shared with parents to showcase learning in private lessons.

- Ukulele showcase performances for parents of pupils in Year 4 to share their learning.
- Young Voices concert for Year 5 & 6 pupils to take part in and parents can buy tickets to watch.

We also look to book any relevant shows or music performances at venues such as Curve Leicester, Loughborough Town Hall or Demontfort Hall when these become available. For example, in recent years our pupils have attended various musical theatre performances and pantomines, such as 'The Owl Who Came for Christmas', 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe' and 'Peter Pan'.

We also actively engage with any opportunities to enhance the curriculum or provide further enrichment available through Leicestershire Music Hub and through working with Martin High School (where many Latimer pupils transfer to for secondary education). For example, our Year 6 pupils recently enjoyed watching the high school's musical performance of Charlie & the Chocolate Factory to enhance their transition to Year 7 and inspire their interest in music and drama opportunities as they move into Key Stage 3.

In the future

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

Our Music Lead is in the process of exploring how opportunities for learning woodwind instruments (for example recorders or ocarinas) can be introduced either into the curriculum or via small group tuition. Further opportunities for developing ensemble work are also being considered.

As part of our wider school development plan for 2024/25 we are also looking at how we can signpost pupils, parents and families to local opportunities outside of the school day, including learning to play a wider range of instruments, accessing vocal coaching for keen singers and musical theatre / concert opportunities.

Further information (optional)

Our music lead, Mrs Charlesworth, can be contacted via the school office on office@latimer.leics.sch.uk

More information about Leicestershire Music Hub can be found at:

<https://leicestershiremusicHub.org>