



BAWB Federation Music Plan

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/26
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Name of the school music lead	Jonny Martin
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Vicky Collins
Name of local music hub	North Yorkshire Music Hub

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 music curriculum for all year groups is available on our school website: <https://b-a-wb.com/curriculum/subjects/music/>

We use the Kapow scheme of work to teach music to all year groups. This scheme is informed by the [model music curriculum](#). The scheme includes support for children with Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) e.g. the use of adapted instruments (when required), ear plugs for children with sensory needs, the identification of the key facts and skills all children should acquire and bespoke support for children who are finding it harder to acquire those facts and skills.

Every year groups receives an hour of music teaching each week. These lessons include instrumental tuition of both tuned and untuned instruments and singing teaching. We provide a singing club in one term of every year, which allows us to develop a school choir. Our children also perform as a full class each year in the Wensleydale Tournament of Song, a local annual competition. In addition, children



regularly play instruments or perform vocally at Celebration Assemblies and school gatherings such as Carol Services and other church festivals.

Our children enjoy live performances each year from musicians from the Swaledale Festival, who visit school to perform on a range of instruments. Our music lead is a skilled musician and plays the piano as part of music lessons and during school events. The children also enjoy watching performances at the Wensleydale Tournament of Song.

Our children have benefitted from our close links with the North Yorkshire Music hub, with all Year 3 to Year 6 children having received at least a year of instrument tuition from the hub, including an instrument that they have been able to take home to practice on.

Part B: music tuition, choirs and ensembles

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.

Our music lead offers a 'Singing Club' that takes place after school over the course of a term each year.

In the lead up to the Wensleydale Tournament of Song, we also offer additional singing practice for pupils who are performing.

A peripatetic piano teacher offers weekly lessons in school for individuals each week and we are also able to direct children to several local music clubs and groups, including Musical Theatre, the Dales Community Pop Choir, BlueBoxt Creative and Performing Arts.

Children who are receiving instrumental tuition are provided with an instrument that they can borrow and practise at home.

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 offer a rich variety of musical experiences. These include half-termly performances at Celebration Assemblies, as well as opportunities to perform at church services and other school events.

Our KS2 children all take part in class or key stage performances at the annual Wensleydale Tournament of Song, a springtime competition held over two weeks that has been taking place annually since 1898. As well as performing themselves, the children also benefit from the opportunity to watch other performances by local schools and local musicians.

We also have links with the annual Swaledale Festival, with musicians from the festival visiting our schools and performing to the children and talking about their music and the instruments they play.

In the future

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

This year, we are excited to welcome a specialist music teacher to our team. Jonny Martin is a skilled pianist, trumpeter and has also been known to play the ukulele! He is developing our musical curriculum further to include in-school instrumental and vocal tuition and also hopes to develop a school choir that can take part in local competitions and provide children with a keen interest in music an opportunity to develop their skills and broaden their experience.

In order to support this, we intend to invest in instruments for the children to learn, with the hope that we can create a school 'band' to provide similar opportunities to the school choir.