

Music development plan summary:

Christ The King Catholic Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
Date this summary was published	October 25
Date this summary will be reviewed	October 26
Name of the school music lead	Mr. Fay
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mr. Fay
Name of local music hub	Resonate Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Music is an integral part of learning and life at Christ The King. It is timetabled for an hour each week. Years 5 and 6 benefit from tuition provided by Resonate Music Hub and have the opportunity to learn to play brass instruments (cornets, trumpets, trombones and euphoniums) during their sessions.

Christ The King Catholic Primary School follows Charanga's Model Music Curriculum for Years 1 to 4. Through the use of the scheme the children have the opportunity to learn the key strands of music alongside the glockenspiel to provide a tangible element to the learning of all. We also utilise Charanga's Original Scheme in EYFS to assist in the delivery of their curriculum. Music is woven through all areas of learning and development in EYFS and children follow the educational programmes set out in the EYFS Framework 2024. Children learn through exploring the 'Being Imaginative and Expressive' strand of the 'Expressive Arts and Design' area of learning, which is underpinned by Communication and Language, Literacy and Physical development. Children are immersed in experiences and activities through a mixture of play based and adult led tasks that ignite their interest for Music and performing arts. They explore inventing, adapting and recounting narratives and stories with peers and their teacher,

sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs, perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.

Years 5 and 6

In years 5 and 6, every pupil has a weekly curriculum music lesson throughout the whole school year. These are delivered by a specialist music teacher from Resonate Music Hub. The curriculum is tailored and adapted based on the progression frameworks of the Model Music Curriculum.

Modules draw on material from a wide range of backgrounds and world cultures, nurturing pupils' understanding of all musical elements. Pupils will develop their listening skills, appraising, composition and performance through carefully sequenced activities and focus pieces.

To supplement this, every pupil in years 5 and 6 plays a brass instrument which they are encouraged to take home and practice. Instruments include trumpets, cornet, euphoniums and trombones. This supports a long standing school emphasis on brass playing and sees the pupils develop their technique, tone and pitching through whole class performances as well as solo and small group work.

Singing is also a key thread through all our musical learning with a focus on nurturing aural fluency, internalising pitches and growing vocal confidence.

With an enriched and diverse curriculum comes regular opportunities to perform in the classroom as well as more formally to other classes and in school assemblies. All pupils develop a love of performing as well as the sense of community, culture and wellbeing that comes with taking part in music.

Part B: Extra-curricular music and additional musical activities

Children at Christ The King have a variety of musical activities on offer to them.

- Weekly whole school hymn practice alongside twice weekly Celebration of the Word.
- Christ The King has a long standing and proud tradition with its choir boasting over 80 members from Years 3 to 6 and is open to all.
- The choir perform at the annual Young Voices concert in Manchester.
- The school have struck up a partnership with St Julies Catholic Secondary School which allows CTK children the chance to take part in themed days and take in performances.
- The choir often perform at CTK church services throughout the year.
- Children at CTK are offered the opportunity to undertake extra-curricular guitar tuition from Create Music.

- Opportunities to watch 'live' musical performances throughout the year through Resonate's Musical Mondays
- KS1 and KS2 have access to Musical Theatre Club run by B Tales.

Part C: Musical events and performances

- Annual Music Week which incorporates CTK Talent Show, Whole Class Performances, brass showcase and 'Rock Star Day' (2025's edition took the form of We Can Be Heroes Day in which the children and staff were encouraged to imitate their musical hero).
- Nativity for EYFS, Year 3 and 4. KS1 Carol Service.
- Year 6 End of Year Performance.
- End of Year Performance for parents in year groups.
- Trips to the Liverpool Philharmonic.

In the future

Use of Charanga to deliver curriculum under review (alternative SingUp identified as potential replacement).

Identify pathway for children to undertake Grades.

Create Music Display to highlight progression.

Evaluate Resonate's offer to see if brass tuition can be expanded.

Music/Performance Day to have Liverpool music inspiration.