

# Music Development Plan Summary: Bradworthy Primary Academy 2025-26

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 - 2026
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Name of the school music lead	Rebecca Turner & Alex Rushton
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music	Rebecca Turner
Name of local music hub	Devon Music Education Hub (DMEH)
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

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 music curriculum is outlined within our Teaching & Learning Policy, available at <https://bradworthy-primary-academy.secure-primariesite.net/curriculum/>

A key focus of music sessions in school is participation for all, and where specific provision or equipment is required to support this, we endeavour to ensure this is in place from the outset.

Our music curriculum is developed on the DfE Model Music Curriculum, and is supported through the use of the Charanga scheme in conjunction with support from Devon & Torbay Music and Education Hubs. Core class sessions are delivered by specialist staff, with additional listening-based tasks, revision of key skills and concepts and rehearsal of songs / skills being completed by all teaching staff throughout the week.

Pupils in Reception, Year One and Year Two will have an hour of music tuition each week, delivered by a music specialist. Additional listening projects, and singing rehearsals are completed by class teachers.

Pupils in Years Three – Six have between 40 and 60 minutes of music per week delivered as direct music tuition by a specialist member of staff. This is enhanced with weekly singing 40-minute ensemble sessions delivered by a choir specialist. Additional listening projects, singing rehearsals, and revision of concepts and skills such as notation and stave understanding are undertaken by class teachers to ensure skills are consolidated throughout the week.

## 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.

Throughout the week, pupils have opportunity to access small group or one-to-one tuition for many different instruments. Small group and individual guitar (acoustic / electric / bass) tuition is available at no cost to parents, and is delivered in rotating timetables through the school day. Pupils in each class from Year Three upwards are invited to participate in these sessions if they wish to.

Within the 2025-6 Academic Year, the school is working in partnership with Magical Tots, offering sessions for pupils in Years R – 3 after school. These sessions combine music and dance, and offer our younger pupils the chance to take part in extra curricular music sessions. There is a small cost associated with these sessions.

One-to-One piano lessons are available in school, delivered by Ann Williams. These lessons are funded by parents, with instruments and practice space provided by school. The sessions are run on a rotating timetable across several days of the week to ensure pupils are not removed from one specific lesson or activity regularly.

The school hosts a range of musical ensembles, included a Rock Band, Ukulele Choir, and Choir groups. These activities regularly run at lunchtime or through after school clubs, and pupils are welcome to attend as they wish.

School choirs are formed for events and occasions during the year, and therefore do not have a consistent membership / size / age range. These activities are offered to children through choir and music lessons, so that children are made aware of their options and how to 'join' any clubs that they are interested in becoming part of.

Wherever possible the school will endeavour to support pupils in borrowing instruments to ensure that they are able to practice their skills at home. Pupils are welcomed to discuss their needs with music staff, who will locate and provide instruments which are suitable for home practice (wherever these instruments are available).

## 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.

Throughout each academic year, all pupils are given the opportunity to perform in musical experiences in line with their age and musical maturity.

All pupils in school are invited to perform in 'services' and assemblies on a regular basis. Parents are invited to join us in some of these situations, including Harvest Festival and our Christmas Carol Service.

Pupils in Reception and Key Stage One perform in a standalone nativity in which singing and choral performances play a very large part. This production involves regular rehearsal, dress rehearsals and two performances for parents, with no charge or fee.

Pupils in Key Stage Two perform an annual musical, which is led entirely by pupils and involved significant amounts of choral, small group and solo singing. This production also involves regular rehearsal, dress and technical rehearsals, and three performances for parents – again with no charge or fee.

Opportunities for musical performances throughout the year can also include a concert in line with our Art exhibition, in which a curated programme is performed across rock band, ukulele group and choral groups to contribute to the theme of the Art Exhibition in school. In addition to this our choir is regularly involved in joint performances with the Torrington Male Voice choir, with annual concerts taking place in the village church.

The school rock band are also regularly involved in performances for parents, including annual performances at the village pub, and participation in school events such as the Summer BBQ.

Wherever offered, opportunities for musical collaboration are developed and opportunities for performance are maximised to ensure pupils access a wide range of experiences. In addition to this, opportunities are developed in line with school visits to ensure live musical performances are shared with pupils. This has previously included visits to see theatrical productions in London's West End during the Year Six residential, visits to local theatres to see performances where available and visits into school by travelling theatre groups / musical organisations.

## In the Future

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

- Developing the allocated music room to ensure pupils and staff have access to equipment.
- Requesting grant funding to purchase 30x tuned percussion instruments to enhance the delivery of composition and performance based sessions.
- Development of a school social media platform will be used as a vehicle to share performances to all stakeholders. These could include experiences through Whole Class Ensemble Teaching, along with classes performing music and songs via cross curricular links.
- Requests for WCET instrument sets to be completed in Autumn 2025 to plan instruments available for 2025-26 and beyond.

## Further Information

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.

The Devon Music Hub supports us in school to deliver a range of opportunities to all pupils. Further information can be found at the DMEH website:

<https://www.musiceducationhub.org/site/>

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions to support our delivery of music in school, please feel free to contact us by email through [info@bradworthy.devon.sch.uk](mailto:info@bradworthy.devon.sch.uk) or by telephone on 01409 241365.