

Music development plan summary: *Northburn Primary School*

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
Date this summary was published	November 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Susan Slowther
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Jill Nicholson
Name of local music hub	Music Partnership North
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Sing Up Rocksteady Music School

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.

- From September 2024, Northburn's music curriculum will be informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021), which is non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3.
EYFS will continue .
- In EYFS Music is woven throughout their curriculum and is prioritised in adult directed sessions as well as throughout the provision. They will also continue to access the original scheme via Charanga
- All pupils receive 1 hour of music teaching per week. This is made up of 45 minute direct class teaching and a 15 minute singing assembly.

- Northburn Primary School uses Sing Up Music Curriculum and Charanga, which is a multi-award-winning music teaching and learning support platform to support non-specialists in delivering high quality music.
- We partner with our local music hub- Music Partnership North who offer specialist instrumental lessons for children in Year 3 (previously year 3 and 4) for 1 hour weekly on top of the music curriculum.
 - We have SEND base on site who receive a 20min music session lead by a private instrumental tutor employed by the school. Where possible, children from the base partake in music session with their peer groups.

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.

Paid music tuition:

- One-to-one and small-group peripatetic tuition for instruments offered termly for weekly lessons. Instrument options are keyboard, guitar, flute or clarinet.

Rocksteady music school band

- Children in key stage one and two have the opportunity to join our Rocksteady band. Instruments include keyboard, electric and bass guitar, vocal and drums. They rehearse once a week on a Friday afternoon.
- Currently 3 established bands in school- mixed year group
- Inclusive programme that's accessible to all pupils, supports wellbeing and contributes to academic progress.
- Children work towards a 'Music performance in bands' certificate- an Ofqual regulated qualification from Rocksteady and Trinity College London.
- All bands perform live to parents twice a year.

Extra curricular clubs:

- We have a KS2 Choir Club who rehearse during the Autumn and Summer terms in preparation for performances at our annual Christmas Carol Service at a local church and at our summer fayre. Rehearsals run for 1 hour after school once a week.
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- Key stage 1 recorder club will run during the Spring term
- Steel Pans run two sessions a week for Year 3 – Year 6

Funding:

- We partner with our local music hub- Music Partnership North who offer specialist instrumental whole class lessons for children in Year 3 for 1 ½ hours weekly on top of the music curriculum. This is at a cost of £2550 per year.
- Rocksteady provides weekly band tuition funded by parents. This costs the parent/carer £42.79 per half term. Through the company one disadvantaged child has a fully funded place on a Rocksteady band and using pupil premium funding, there are opportunities for subsidised funding for disadvantaged children to make it accessible for all.
- One-to-one and small-group peripatetic tuition for instruments are offered termly for weekly lessons. This costs the parent/carers £60per term.

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.

Singing:

- Use of singing to support learning for example phonics, timetable songs, MFL and across the wider curriculum.
- Whole school singing practice takes place weekly on a Tuesday for 20mins and again as part of our celebration assembly on a Monday.

Music club concerts:

- Rocksteady bands perform to the whole school and parents of the children involved twice a year.
- KS2 perform at our Christmas Carol concert to parents, and we have a whole school Christmas sing-along at the end of the autumn term.
- All musical groups (Steel pans, guitars, keyboards and choir) perform to parents at our summer fayre.

Other performances:

- EYFS perform a Nativity to the whole school and parents in December.
- Key Stage one perform Christmas songs to parents at the start of their Christmas crafts session with parents.
- Year 6 perform to parents as part of their leaver's assembly in July.
- A group of Year 5/6 musicians are invited to take part in the 'Cramlington Play Day' event in June which involves a day of instrumental/vocal rehearsals at the local secondary school and a performance to parents in the Hub at Cramlington Learning Village. This event used to take place annually – but has now been changed to every two years.

In the future

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

One hour of high-quality music per week

- Timings to remain the same for lessons however include 15 minutes of singing in assembly to hit the one hour. Embed from September 24
- Embed MMC from September 24

Provide access to lessons across a range of instruments and voice

- To increase access to instruments in EYFS. Range of tuned and un-tuned instruments used.
- Whole class instrumental tuition for KS1
- Provide extra curriculum access for KS1 via record club and singing club.
- Liaise with Music hub to develop further opportunities to support music teaching for non-specialists.
- Develop a school ensemble/band/group
- Rocksteady to be continued in to 2024/25
- To audit and replace percussion instruments so that everyone has access to an instrument during lessons.

- We will be offering Drumba sessions to year 1- year 6 during the Spring and Summer terms.

Develop a termly school performance

- Develop Spring performance to include Rocksteady performance and peripatetic performance in assembly
- Music coordinator to explore other musical professionals coming into school to perform.

Further information (optional)

Music Partnership North

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Music-Service.aspx>

Rocksteady Music school

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>

Sing Up

<https://www.singup.org>

Charanga

<https://charanga.com/site/>

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.