

Music development summary for St Laurence Primary

Overview

<i>Detail</i>	<i>Information</i>
<i>Academic year that this summary covers</i>	<i>2025-2026</i>
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<i>Name of the school music leads</i>	<i>Courtney Hall and Joanne Suiter</i>
<i>Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)</i>	<i>As above</i>

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.

Curriculum music

At St Laurence Primary our school music curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum and the model music curriculum (March 2021), non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3.

We have a bespoke scheme of work which allows all children including disabled pupils and pupils with special educational needs to access music at our school

- In Foundation stage, children take part in a discrete music session as well as exploring sound, pulse and rhythm through continuous early years provision*
- In Key stage one, pupils have a timetabled 45 minute weekly music session as well as singing in other curriculum areas*
- In Key Stage two, pupils have a 1 hour timetabled music lesson each week as well as singing in other curriculum areas*

At St Laurence Primary we offer a variety of musical opportunities outside of lesson time, these include:

Group peripatetic lessons in Guitar, Drums, Vocals, and Keyboard through Rock Steady

Some funding is available for families who qualify for Pupil Premium to access Rock Steady lessons

Pupils also have the opportunity to participate in the school choir. The choir practices take place during lunchtime, in preparation for Christmas, Easter and Summer performances

Musical events and experiences

At St Laurence, we ensure that all pupils have musical experiences. These experiences include:

Class/Year group assembly performances every term in Church

Christmas performances by Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Summer musical by Year 5 and 6

Spring Musical by Year 3 and 4

Weekly singing assembly

Weekly music calendar linked to Collective Worship

Celebration assemblies

Rock Steady concert

Choir performances in Church

Singing carols in the community

In the future

At St Laurence, we will continue all the amazing work we do in Music and include the pupil voice in developing even more musical opportunities for all our pupils. We also hope to work with the Derby Cathedral Choir to develop singing lessons for all children in KS2.

Further information

If you would like more musical opportunities for your child outside of school, the Derbyshire music hub provides links to instrument lessons, joining musical ensembles and groups, choirs, city and county ensembles and grants for musicians

Check out <https://www.derbyshiremusichub.org.uk/get-involved/get-involved.aspx>