

Wolston St Margaret's C of E Primary

Music Development Plan

2025-2026

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	October 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Laura Brown
Name of local music hub	Warwickshire Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Independent Music Solutions (IMS)

Curriculum music

Wolston St Margaret's delivers music through the *Learning Means the World* curriculum, which fully aligns with the National Curriculum for Music. The programme provides a clear, progressive framework for developing pupils' skills in performing, composing and listening; alongside developing their understanding how music is created and communicated. Lessons are designed to engage all learners through singing, instrumental work, and opportunities for creativity and self-expression.

The curriculum ensures coverage of the interrelated dimensions of music (pitch, duration, dynamics, tempo, timbre, texture, and structure) and supports pupils in using and understanding notation. Through diverse and culturally rich units, pupils experience music from a wide range of traditions, styles and historical periods.

It provides regular opportunities for performance and composition, fostering confidence, collaboration, and appreciation of music as a universal form of communication.

As we take a cross curricular approach, pupils may not have a music lesson every week as their music may be taught in blocks e.g. six lessons in one week or two lessons a week across three weeks.

In addition to this, pupils in Year 3 have weekly lessons to learn how to play a tuned instrument (the recorder) for one term.

Co-curricular music

Outside of curriculum time, children have the opportunity to have high quality individual or small group instrumental lessons. This is provided by Independent Music Solutions (IMS). The instruments currently offered are: keyboard, flute and clarinet. As children progress, they have the opportunity to take exams. There is also a weekly 'I Sing Pop' club for children to develop their singing and a love of music. Opportunities from Warwickshire Music are regularly signposted to parents for ensemble groups and choirs. Last academic year, we launched World Music Day with a range of workshops and a whole school celebration. This will be held again this year.

Musical experiences

Our pupils take part in weekly worship through song where children take part in a listening and appraisal session followed by learning a range of songs. We also have performers from 'I Sing Pop' visit on a termly basis to lead singing workshops and perform high quality music for and with the children. Once a year, we hold a 'Wolston's Got Talent' where children have the opportunity to 'let their light shine'.

Throughout the year, all classes have larger scale performance opportunities:

Reception- Nativity

Year 1- Easter Songs

Year 2- Leading the Christmas church service

Year 3- Christmas concert

Year 4- Christmas concert

Year 5- Young Voices and performance to parents

Year 6- Leavers production

Children that have lessons with IMS perform to their parents at least once a year.

Future Plans

This year, we intend to develop our music offer to increase the number of instruments available for children to learn. We would also like to increase the number of opportunities that our pupils have to enjoy live music.