



# Music Development Plan Summary: Harrietsham C of E Primary School

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Liz Holland
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Kent 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.

At Harrietsham, we have timetabled music lessons in all year groups. Our music curriculum has been developed by our experienced music teacher and is aligned to the National Curriculum for Music. Our music curriculum is carefully sequenced and it has progressive week-by-week lessons, we are meeting all the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum and progress is evident through observations, written evidence, recordings and our progression documents. Discussions with children have demonstrated an increasing knowledge of key music vocabulary being recalled. Observations have shown all pupils engaged and active during the lessons, including SEND. We have a wide range of instruments that can be used in the lessons and our curriculum. Children are given regular opportunities to listen, experience and discuss a variety of music and genres.

## 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.

At Harrietsham C of E Primary School we are fortunate to have many opportunities for the children to develop their music skills. We have singing assemblies taking place on a weekly basis, with a wide range of songs being learnt and performed. The children take part with confidence and enthusiasm. Year 2 begin their instrumental learning with the ocarina. All our Year 3 and Year 4 take part in whole class recorder lessons and take part showcasing their learning. Year 5 are taught the ukulele and Year 6 are introduced to Keyboard and Drumming. We have an extensive range of music tuition available via our Kent Music Hub and visiting peripatetic teachers, with a wide range of instruments being learnt, these include; Keyboards, Guitars and Ukuleles. These are offered to children in Year 1 to Year 6. These children are then encouraged to join ensembles outside the school. Upper Key Stage 2 attend the Proms Praise event at the Royal Albert hall on a bi-annual basis. Throughout the year our children enjoy taking part in a Christmas production, music performances and singing within class assemblies which are performed to parents and peers. We have some children who take part in music hub performances outside of school.

## 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.

At Harrietsham C of E Primary School, we utilise strong links with the music service to encourage instrumentalists to progress to performing in ensembles. Parents and carers are fully supportive of music making and we have a good turn-out at productions. Every child at Harrietsham, when they reach upper Key Stage 2, is given the opportunity to sing and perform at the National Proms Praise event at the Royal Albert hall on a bi-annual basis. At Harrietsham, we regularly make links with our local community and invite local groups in to perform for all the children. We have a strong online presence of promoting music and signposting parents and carers to music opportunities.

## In the future

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

In the subsequent years to come, we are planning to build on our music progress by reevaluating the current curriculum to upskill in-line with the model music curriculum. We are going to continue to develop children's composition skills and the notation of this. We will continue to develop a school choir and children's performance skills with more opportunities to perform throughout the year, with our local music hub and in the community. We would love to provide our children with more opportunities to watch live music performances and develop a strong pupil voice. Furthermore, we will continue to provide our staff with CPD to continue to develop their confidence and subject knowledge.

