

# Music Development Plan Summary 2024-25 Grange Park Junior School

# **Overview**

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
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Name of the school music lead	Mrs R Ramtohul-Butler
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music	Mrs R Ramtohul-Butler
Name of local music hub	London West
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Little Larrikins

# 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 Grange Park Junior School, we have created a bespoke music curriculum which offers all pupils an hourly music lesson, per week, with one of three music specialists. Using a combination of the music scheme Charanga and whole class instruments, pupils access a range of theoretical, historical and practical, composition, digital and performance-based activities. Our 2024-2025 music overview can be found on our website:

https://www.grangeparkjuniorschool.co.uk/music/

We want our pupils to form an appreciation for a wide range of musical genres from different eras which is why our carefully planned curriculum includes music from around the world, different cultures and range of male and female composers. Understanding that we must prepare our pupils for their future, each year completes a 'Digital Composition' unit which combines their theoretical knowledge with technology.

# 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.

#### Whole class instrumental lessons

Year 3: glockenspiel

Year 4: recorder

Year 5: ukulele

Year 6: vocal

## Performance-based opportunities

- Young Voices concert at the O2 Arena
- Christmas concert at our local church
- Regular performances in whole school assemblies
- Year group productions
- iRock concerts

### **Extra-curricular opportunities**

- Performing Arts after school club
- iRock lessons
- School choir
- Yeading Cluster Beck Theatre concert

#### Inclusion

Pupil Premium pupils are offered a free termly after school club place and taster sessions for paid opportunities such as iRock. All the above opportunities are accessible for SEND pupils and our school provides personalised equipment or strategies to support all pupils.

## Part C: Musical events

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.

#### Young Voices at the O2 Arena

This is a wonderful opportunity where Year 6 work alongside our specialist vocalist to learn an annual repertoire to perform with other schools at the O2 Arena. This incredible

opportunity allows our eldest pupils to accumulate all their music knowledge taught in KS2 and apply this as they lead up to this incredible experience. The opportunity is for all Year 6 pupils. This is a free event.



## **Christmas concert**

We invite parents and carers to our local church where we perform festive songs. This is a wonderful way to share what the children have been learning in music during the first term and put their performance skills into practice whilst listening to the music progression across the key stage. It is also an opportunity for any solo performances to be celebrated. All pupils participate in the free event.



#### The Beck Theatre

Following auditions, pupils are invited to rehearse and perform at The Beck Theatre in Hayes alongside other schools in the borough. This exciting opportunity enables pupils to see how other local schools perform whilst celebrating their own performance to parents, carers and staff in an evening performance. This is a free event.



#### **iRock**

iRock is an external provider where pupils are able to sign up for weekly lessons. iRock offers pupils a choice of keyboard, guitar, drums and vocal lessons which works towards group band performance. Bands are formed based on individual pupils' ability enabling them to challenge and progress. iRock bands perform in whole school assemblies and

termly concerts to parents and carers. iRock is offered to all pupils and Pupil Premium pupils are offered taster sessions and a free place for a half-term, when possible.



### **End of year productions**

We believe in celebrating all achievements and take pride in end of year productions. Understanding the multiple roles available for pupils during productions, our music specialist works alongside pupils to provide them with musical roles best for them eg instruments, vocals or digital music support. This free in-school event is further supported by pupils visiting the West End to watch a live performance of the show they will be performing! By doing so, pupils are exposed to aspirational future possibilities and the chance to simply enjoy and appreciate the performing arts. West End shows are a charged event with Pupil Premium support available.



## In the future

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

- Offer our pupils instrumental lesson which lead to graded musical examinations
- Work alongside local secondary school music students to provide our pupils with knowledge of music beyond KS2