

# Music Development Plan Summary: Manaccan Primary School



## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025
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Name of the school music lead	Danielle Pearce
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Beth Hancock
Name of local music hub	Cornwall Music Education Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	AsOne

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.**

Our Music curriculum is designed to progressively develop children's skills in the areas of musical appreciation (listening and discussing), performance on instruments and with voice, composition and recording and evaluating musical performances. We enhance our pupil's experiences by accessing provision such Cornwall Music Trust's 'First Access' and inviting visiting musicians/artistes/orchestras to perform and run workshops. We have annual summer and Christmas, musical productions, which are always a great success and well received.

We use the Charanga resource for the teaching of Music.

How the scheme is structured:

Each Unit of Work comprises the of strands of musical learning which correspond with the national curriculum for music:

1. Listening and Appraising

## 2. Musical Activities

1. Warm-up Games
2. Optional Flexible Games
3. Singing
4. Playing instruments
5. Improvisation
6. Composition

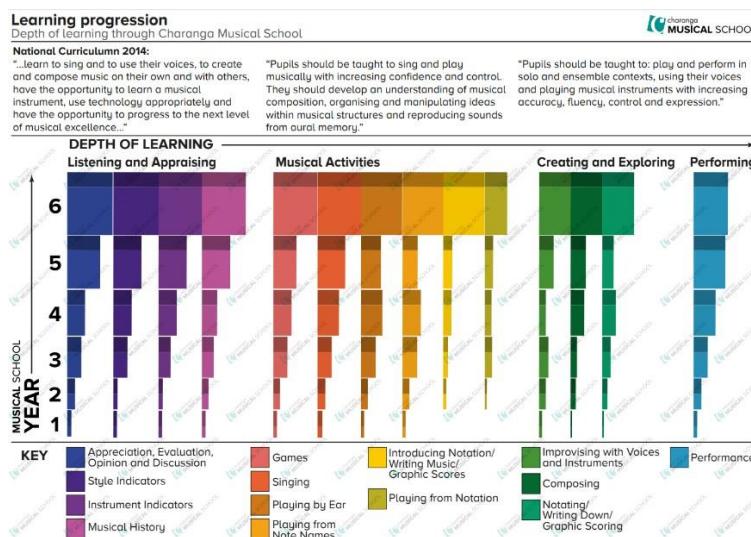
### 3. Performing

All activities are based around a song.

1. **Games** embed the Interrelated Dimensions of Music through repetition
2. **Singing** is at the heart of all the musical learning
3. **Playing** instruments with the song to be learnt - tuned/un-tuned classroom percussion and an option to play any band instrument. A sound-before-symbol approach is used but scores are provided as an understanding of notation is introduced to the children
4. **Improvising** with the song using voices and instruments occurs in some Units of Work
5. **Composing** with the song using instruments occurs in some Units of Work

How all Children are Supported in Music at Manaccan Primary School:

The Charanga scheme has an integrated, practical, exploratory and child-led approach to musical learning. Units of work enable children to understand musical concepts through a repetition-based approach to learning. Learning about the same musical concept through different musical activities enables a more secure, deeper learning and mastery of musical skills. Each unit has differentiated activities, enabling the teacher to assess and gauge when children are ready to progress and step up to the next level.



## The Interrelated Dimensions of Music (Dimensions)

- Pulse – the regular heartbeat of the music; its steady beat.
- Rhythm – long and short sounds or patterns that happen over the pulse.
- Pitch – high and low sounds.
- Tempo – the speed of the music; fast or slow or in-between.
- Dynamics – how loud or quiet the music is.
- Timbre – all instruments, including voices, have a certain sound quality e.g. the trumpet has a very different sound quality to the violin.
- Texture – layers of sound. Layers of sound working together make music very interesting to listen to.
- Structure – every piece of music has a structure e.g. an introduction, verse and chorus ending.
- Notation – the link between sound and symbol.

## 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 Manaccan School, we work with Cornwall Music Service Trust to provide 1-1 and small group instrument tuition.

Lesson Type	Current Tariff	New Tariff from 1 September 2024
GROUP TYPE 1: Based on a Group of 4 or 5 - 30 Mins	£5.63 (in some situations this may need to be 3 pupils for 22.5 minutes/5 pupils for 37.5 minutes)	£6.00
GROUP TYPE 2: Based on a Group of 2 for 20 minutes/3 for 30 minutes	£7.50	£8.00
Group of 2 – 30 Mins	£11.25	£12.00
Individual 20 Mins	£15.00	£16.00
Individual 30 Mins	£22.50	£24.00
Award individual 30 Mins	£11.25 On teacher recommendations, subject to successful application and interview	£12.00
Curriculum support – 39 Weeks	£48 per hour	£48.00 per hour
Ensemble & First access – 34 to 39 Weeks	£48 per hour	£48.00 per hour
Exam Accompaniment	Ranging from £18.00 (initial) to £45.00 (grade 8) To include accompaniment on the day of the exam and a prior run through.	Ranging from £24.00 (initial) to £48.00 (grade 8)

## 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.**

- Pupils from all ages take part in singing assemblies regularly as part of the school's assembly overview. These sessions focus on singing a range of songs from different genres, as well as supporting pupil mental health.
- All pupils take part in church calendar services & celebrations (Christingle, Carol, Easter) – singing and performance is an element of each of these.
- Pupils from the school perform a Christmas performance (Nativity) at the end of each year to the school and the local community.
- Pupils from the school perform a musical production at the end of each year to the school and the local community.

## In the future

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

- To further develop our extra-curricular music provision to enable pupils to have access to a broader range of instruments.
- To liaise with Cornwall Music Education Hub to arrange more 'First Access' units of lessons to cohorts who are yet to receive this.
- To develop how we use the 'Charanga' music resource to ensure pupils of all ages have access to 60 minutes of high quality music each week.