



CAM WOODFIELD INFANT SCHOOL

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Music Development Plan Summary

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2023 - 2024
Date this summary was published	15.08.24
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2025
Name of the school music lead	Kirstin Chambers
Name of local music hub	Make Music Gloucestershire (MMG) From September 2024: Gloucestershire, Swindon, Wiltshire Music Hub (GSW Music Hub)
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Gloucestershire Music

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 Cam Woodfield Infant School, music is taught through the Charanga scheme following the 'original scheme' on a one-year cycle. The Charanga scheme has been chosen due to its progressive structure and because it is informed by the model music curriculum. Music is taught for an hour weekly in all classes, this may be split over a number of sessions. The lessons are designed to be progressive and build on prior learning allowing the children time to revisit, review, and refine their music vocabulary, knowledge, and skills. At Cam Woodfield Infant School all children will learn to sing songs and play untuned and tuned instruments through our weekly music lessons. Instruments include claves, shakers, drums, tambourines, and glockenspiels. There is planned progression with Foundation Stage children playing untuned instruments, and Key Stage One children learning to play tuned instruments. Additional information regarding the music intent and curriculum progression at Cam Woodfield Infant School can be found on the school's website in the curriculum section.

<https://www.camwoodfield.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum.html>

Extra-curricular music

All children have the opportunity to perform in annual events such as Harvest, Christmas performances, Easter Assembly and at special events such as the Year 2 leavers' assembly.

School offered extra-curricular Singing Club in 2023 and 2024 across all year groups. We are careful when allocating places to ensure that priority is given to pupil premium children. We make sure that there are different clubs on different days to allow access to as many children as possible.

During 2023-2024 Children in Year 2 had the opportunity to learn to play the ukulele during whole class sessions. Children have the opportunity to borrow, hire or purchase their own instrument.

The school benefits from a range of rehearsal spaces including the school hall for larger activities, classroom space for Music Club, and The Den for children learning to play the ukulele or guitars with an instrumental teacher.

Musical experiences, events and performances

Year 2 ukulele whole class lessons ending with a performance to the school which was videoed and shared with parents on Tapestry.

Individual ukulele or guitar lessons are available for children in Years 1 and 2.

A Reception child's grandparent came in to play their brass instruments to the children and share a variety of musical instruments.

Celebration performances (Nativity, Easter Assembly, Headteacher leaving songs).

All children experienced a live pantomime in school, including songs to join in with.

In the future.....

To further enrich the music offer to all children at Cam Woodfield Infant School the school intends to:

Provide the opportunity for all children to perform rehearsed songs from the Charanga scheme of learning to an audience in regular performances. This will include singing and playing an instrument as part of a whole class ensemble.

Have half termly genre of music focus which the children will learn about, and listen to, during assembly time and during periods in the classroom.

Provide the children with continued opportunities to learn to play the ukulele and guitar.

Enhance the experience of listening to live and recorded performances by organising music focused visits into school and externally.

New Music Subject Leader to sign up for newsletters from the Music Hub and to find out about the opportunities that the new hub will offer in September 2024.

Children to learn new songs and sing in assembly.

Teachers adapt lesson plans from the scheme to ensure they are inclusive, enabling all learners the opportunity to fully partake in music lessons, feel valued, and achieve their best.