Music development plan summary: Dishforth Village Primary and Nursery

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	September 2025 to July 2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Mrs R Cawood
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs R Cawood
Name of local music hub	North Yorkshire
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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 Dishforth Village Primary and Nursery, curriculum music lessons are delivered throughout the year for all children from Nursery to Year 6. The curriculum is delivered through the Charanga Original Music Scheme ensuring a high quality and progressive musical education. Our music curriculum is inclusive of all, including those with specific SEN. It is designed to develop a love of music and skills as performers and composers.

Key components of our Curriculum

We use the Charanga Original Scheme which is mapped out to ensure progression of skills and knowledge as well as providing an engaging curriculum from Nursery to Year 6. It covers a wide range of musical genres, develops listening and appraising skills and includes opportunities for children to perform and compose. Children preform as vocalists and use tuned percussion as well as ukuleles in their music lessons. Children also evaluate their performances and compositions.

Accessibility

As a school we ensure that all lessons are accessible to all with careful planning and preparation of materials. Tas provided support for SEND children during lessons and lessons are adapted to meet the needs of all learners.

Instrumental Provision

From September 2025, all pupils in Years 3 to 6 will receive ukulele lessons taught by our staff supported by the Charanga instrumental units. All children in KS2 will have the opportunity to perform on the ukuleles throughout the year, sharing their musical performances with both children and parents.

Extra-curricular musical opportunities

We aim to provide a variety of musical clubs at different times throughout the school year so that all children will have the opportunity to be part of a musical group outside of usual lessons.

Throughout the year various musical clubs are available:

*KS1 choir, KS2 choir. These choirs will be formed and perform for a particular school celebration for example harvest, Christmas, Easter.

*Recorder group

Recorder group will run for a half term and children will be able to perform at an end of term school celebration.

*Individual music lessons, these are paid for by parents

*As a school we also offer children the opportunity to take paid for individual music lessons including: piano, brass and woodwind.

Musical Opportunities, Performances and Events

Nativity, Easter Production and the Summer Show

Every child in the school is part of these musical performances. Singing as part of a choir, in smaller groups or singing solos.

Classes regularly Share their musical performances as part of our Friday Celebration Collective Worship showcasing individual compositions, group performances and whole class performances.

Each year we have short concerts in school for individuals to perform on the instruments that they have been learning.

In the Future

We hope to offer a ukulele club for children who have enjoyed earning during class and wish to further their skills.

Our Music lead is currently looking for opportunities to work with other schools to participate in a larger singing event such as joining an online Choir performance or performing with other schools.

Through these initiatives we aim to nurture our pupils' talents and interests and give them wider opportunities to explore and enjoy music. We aim to develop a lifelong interest in music, both as a performer and by appreciating live musical events.