



## Cusgarne School - Music development plan summary:

At Cusgarne School, music plays an such important role in inspiring children to develop a love of music, enabling them to deepen their self- belief and confidence with playing music, singing and performing.

We aim for our pupils to:

Play, perform, and enjoy music to a range of audiences and for different purposes

Learn and sing songs for a range of topics (weekly singing assembly, and in classes)

Listen to and evaluate music from a wide variety of historical periods and genres

Understand and explore how music is created, produced, and communicated

Confidently explain and use vocabulary related to music

Experience playing an instrument

### Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/2026
Date this summary was published	Oct 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	Oct 2026
Name of the school music lead	Mrs M Turner
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	ASONE
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.

## Part A: Curriculum music

Pupils are taught music weekly using the Charanga Spiral music curriculum. In addition music is incorporated across the school within daily routines and songs, break times, assemblies, curricular links movement breaks and morning calm settling music in classes and performances.

Our music offer:

- Our school music curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum, this is delivered using the spiral curriculum format from the Charanga programme.
- Example opportunities for pupils to learn to play an instrument, perform and sing are enabled through; School choir, drama, listen, appraise, improvise and perform within the Charanga programme. Collaboration with Cornwall Music Service Trust and Nankersey Male Voice Choir.
- Attendance at the Cornwall Music Festival (Truro) for story-telling/singing and our instrumentalists.
- Cusgarne School and the music lead works in partnerships with the Cornwall Music Service Trust, and the Aspire Music Network.

All pupils access quality Wave one music teaching, pupils with Special Educational Need and Disability (SEND) are supported in the following ways;

The provision on offer for our SEN students in music reflects the intent of the subject itself. Our students, regardless of need, are encouraged to develop their musical knowledge encouraging them to listen to a variety of musical genres.

- Built in to our daily routine alignment – clapping rhythms, to support all children
- Specific provisions for SEN children include:
- A safe space which encourages open discussion on the concepts being taught and provides the environment needed to take risks for new learning.
- The use of floor books and Tapestry within our lessons to evidence learning and encourage participation from all students. In this way, children who may not flourish in some areas of the curriculum feel secure enough to vocalise their learning during the practical aspects of the lessons, demonstrating good understanding in a way they would otherwise not be able to.

- Adult support when and as needed.
- Work can be differentiated based on the needs of the student, scaffolded in a way that makes it accessible to their individual learning need.
- Children are exposed to music vocabulary, including cross curricular links to other subject areas
- Adapted tools and equipment.

The National Curriculum for music can be found by following the link; [National curriculum - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/national-curriculum)

Cusgarne School curriculum for Music from EYFS to Year 6 can be accessed by following the link- see below.

## Part B: Extra - 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 Cusgarne pupils are able to access Co-Curricular opportunities: Choir, Drama, Dance, Plays and performances and including lessons from Cornwall Music Service Trust.

Through the year pupils are able to be part of the choir, sing and perform in events outside of school and access small group instrument and singing support.

Pupils are able to access a variety of instrumental lessons through the Cornwall Music Trust peripatetic teachers, and facilitated in 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.

Set out what musical experiences are planned for the academic year, including regular events such as singing in assembly, musical performances, concerts and shows at the school, and trips to concerts outside of the school.

At Cusgarne pupils are offered a variety of musical opportunities; pupils are able to choose to get involved through clubs, events, plays or even making their own musical ensemble to share with the rest of the school. They are also given the opportunity through arranged experiences this maybe through participation or in the audience.

Musical experiences are:

- Remembrance Sunday Performance Concert with Nankersey Male Voice Choir at the local community Chapel
- Christmas concerts at the church for Key stage 1 and 2, performing Christmas songs and recitals
- Nativity performance for EYFS, Y1 and Y2
- Keys stage 1 and KS2 Carols around the tree Christmas performance, with music instrumentalists
- Dance performances to parents and the school for Key stage 2
- Choir Performance for parents including class performances
- Theatre visits including pantomimes and London show
- Singing in class
- Male voice choir visiting school for 2 workshops
- BBC orchestral workshops KS2, and performance visit
- Learning to play an instrument through Cornwall Music Hub
- School Choir performing at Parish Fete
- Y3/4 class play in the spring/early summer term
- Y5/6 class play at the end of the summer term

## In the future

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

In the next academic year at Cusgarne School our focus will be applied to developing the following areas;

- Utilise different areas of the Charanga programme effectively building upon good practice, recording and assessment.
- Continue to liaise with Hub schools to develop sharing of class sets of instruments.
- Utilise the instrument teaching element of the Charanga programme.
- Continue to develop the school singing and encouraging new pupils from Year 3 and 4.
- Develop music in assemblies linking with school values
- Develop career links for pupils
- Develop performance opportunities between Hub schools and in the wider Trust ensuring all pupils access opportunity for music celebration and performances
- Using first access through the Cornwall Music Trust

## Further information (optional)

### Useful Links

Curriculum Overview - [Cusgarne Primary School - Music](#)

Cusgarne School Website - [Cusgarne Primary School - Music](#)

BBC Teach – [www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-counting-songs/zn67kmn](http://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-counting-songs/zn67kmn)

BBC Music - [BBC Music](#)

Gov. - [The power of music to change lives: a national plan for music education - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

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