

# Foxes Piece School Music Development Plan: 2023-2026

## Aligned with the DfE National Plan for Music Education

### Vision Statement

At Foxes Piece School, we provide a rich, inclusive music education for all pupils, in line with the DfE's National Plan for Music Education. Every child participates in weekly specialist music lessons, learns to play an instrument, and has opportunities to showcase their musical skills.

We celebrate cultural diversity throughout our music curriculum and special events, fostering creativity, confidence, and a love of music.

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### Current Music Provision

1. **Specialist Music Lessons:**

All pupils receive weekly lessons taught by our specialist music teacher, ensuring a consistent and high-quality music education.

2. **Instrumental Learning:**

Every child (from Y1-Y6) is taught how to play musical instruments as part of the curriculum, with an emphasis on ensemble playing, musical literacy, and performance skills.

3. **Regular Showcases and Performances:**

Pupils participate in regular showcases, performing for parents and the wider school community, providing them with a platform to share their musical progress and build confidence.

4. **Diverse Music Curriculum:**

Our music curriculum is enriched by exploring a wide range of musical genres and cultural traditions. Focus days such as One World Day emphasize global music diversity, enabling pupils to engage with a variety of musical styles and cultures.

5. **Extracurricular Music Clubs:**

- **Guitar and Ukulele Clubs:** Weekly after-school clubs offering additional opportunities for students to develop their string instrument skills.
- **iRock Lessons:** Available within school, these sessions allow pupils to play in rock bands, further extending their musical experience.
- **Next Step: Singing Club:** To be introduced, providing pupils with focused vocal training and group singing opportunities.

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### Development Priorities 2023-2026

1. **Expand Extracurricular Offerings**

- **New Singing Club:** Launch a dedicated singing club to enhance pupils' vocal abilities and provide new performance opportunities.
- **Maintain Existing Clubs:** Continue offering the guitar, ukulele, and iRock clubs to ensure a variety of extracurricular options for pupils interested in different musical genres.

2. **Enhance Performance Opportunities**

- Continue to share musical showcases, ensuring that all pupils have opportunities to perform pieces in front of parents and the community.

- Increase pupils' exposure to musical events e.g. secondary school performances, visiting musician and groups.

### 3. Strengthen Partnerships and Resources

- Build stronger connections with the local Music Education Hub and other external partners to enhance musical opportunities for pupils.
- Continue to invest in high-quality instruments and digital resources to support classroom and extracurricular learning.

## Timeline

- **2023-2024:**
  - Launch the new singing club to extend vocal opportunities.
  - Maintain music showcases for all pupils and record for wider viewing.
- **2024-2025:**
  - Strengthen local partnerships for additional performance opportunities.
  - Enhance the school's instrument library and provide more digital music resources.
- **2025-2026:**
  - Conduct a full evaluation of the music curriculum and extracurricular activities, making adjustments based on feedback from pupils, staff, and parents.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

- Annual reviews of the music curriculum and extracurricular provision will be conducted, focusing on pupil engagement and progress.
- Regular feedback from pupils, parents, and staff will inform the ongoing development of music activities, ensuring alignment with the DfE National Plan for Music Education and the evolving needs of our school community.

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic Year this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	October 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	Sept 2025
Name of school music lead	Rebekka Kerr
Name of school leadership team with responsibility for music	Nazia Khawaja
Name of local music hub	Bucks Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation (if partnership in place)	N/A