

Music development plan

Temple Hill Primary Academy

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	October 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Rachel Aram and Molly Clark
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Emily Taylor & Melissa Scott, Assistant Heads for Wider Curriculum
Name of local music hub	Kent Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Red Rooster at the Mick Jagger Centre Rocksteady Music Music for Schools

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.

Our vision for music

At Temple Hill Primary Academy, we see music as a way for children to be able to express their emotions and develop their creativity while enjoying themselves! Our focus is on the skills, knowledge and understanding that children will need in order to become performers, composers and listeners.

Children will experience music from all around the world and across a variety of generations, enabling them to respect and appreciate music of all traditions and communities.

Children will develop the skills of singing, playing tuned and untuned musical instruments (through whole class lessons and 1:1 additional lessons), improvising and composing music and listening and responding to music.

Children will also gain an understanding of the history and context of the music that they listen to and learn the different ways that music can be written down. They will develop transferable skills including teamwork, leadership, turn taking, creative thinking, presentation and performance skills.

<u>CURRICULUM MUSIC</u>		
Curriculum music	Category	Description
	Timetabling	Music is timetabled for all classes. Some year groups choose to teach music weekly, some classes choose to alternate music with teacher led PE. Curriculum music is covered for each class from Years R-6.
	Curriculum design	Music is delivered through Kapow, ensuring that each year group / key stage has a consistent starting point for their lessons. This also allows teachers to develop their confidence when delivering subject matter that may be less familiar to them, with mini CPD available at the start of each unit. The development through the units ensures that the skills are built on over a series of weeks and has a clear focus.
	Assessment	Kapow provide learning intentions which ensure National Curriculum coverage. There are explanations of what to look for in a lesson and class teachers video / photograph and record progress that children make throughout a term or a unit of work. This assessment is used to form part of our whole school assessment process.
Whole Class Instrumental Tuition	Instruments taught and details	Ukuleles are learnt in Year 3 and Year 4 as part of the whole class instrumental tuition. Year 3 learnt for a whole year last year and are continuing for terms 1 and 2 to embed their skills. Year 3 will then learn the ukulele in terms 3-6. Learning intentions for these lessons are developed collaboratively with Red Rooster, the lesson provider. The lessons also allow for elements of body percussion and appreciation of different styles of music.
	Performance opportunities	We hold ukulele concerts providing the opportunity for the children in year 3 and 4 to perform to their parents and their peers. Each class performs two or three songs collectively and there are opportunities for small group performances or solos.
<u>CO CURRICULAR MUSIC</u>		
Co-curricular music	Singing	Children sing together at the beginning and end of large assemblies on Mondays and Fridays.

		Children perform in whole school singing at Christmas, each year group learning their own song and performing to the rest of the school then whole school singing at the end.
		Children in Year 2 perform collaboratively in a Christmas production to children and parents. Children in Year 6 perform collaboratively in a musical performance at the end of their year.
	Choir	Mrs Aram runs the school choir, ably assisted by Mrs Benjafield. Children from Years 3-6 can attend and they work towards the Young Voices concert at the O2 arena. The choir also carol sing in the local community at Christmas, attend the local Church carol concert and perform at the school fairs
Instrumental lessons	Rocksteady Music	Rocksteady Music deliver music lessons weekly to groups of 9 children who form a band. The children learn all the instruments played in the band then can learn one in more depth. These lessons are booked by parents, and they are delivered in school time. Children have the opportunity to perform to their parents and peers termly. Instruments taught are electric guitar, keyboards, drums as well as vocal lessons.
	Music for schools	Music for Schools deliver music lessons in small groups. These are paid for by parents and delivered in school time. Instruments taught are clarinet, flute, trumpet and violin.
	Inclusion	Pupil premium funding can be used to support children from disadvantaged or lower income backgrounds.
		Staff are fully aware of any relevant additional needs in their classes. Children are sensitively guided in their learning to ensure they are able to participate in lessons.
		Pupils have opportunities to listen to and engage with music from a variety of different cultures.
Wider involvement	Music hub	The music leads regularly attend the Kent music hub meetings and are aware of events and initiatives taking place.
	CPD	The Kapow scheme of work offers some CPD. The music leads are also looking at the support required and the CPD that they can lead for staff.
	Links with other schools	We are part of a Trust of 8 schools. There are some opportunities for collaborative working and the music leads are looking at further ways to allow this to happen.
	Live music	There are currently no opportunities for listening to live music but this is something that will be looked into over the coming months.

