

# Music Development Plan Summary: Panshanger Primary School

All schools should have a music development plan from academic year 2023-24. Schools are expected to publish a summary of their plan on their website from academic year 2024-25.

This template is designed to support schools to produce the summary. It should set out how the school will deliver high-quality music provision in curriculum music, co-curricular music and musical experiences, taking into account the key features in the [national plan for music education](#):

- timetabled curriculum music of at least one hour each week of the school year for key stages 1 to 3
- access to lessons across a range of instruments, and voice
- a school choir or vocal ensemble
- a school ensemble, band or group
- space for rehearsals and individual practice
- a termly school performance
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year

The summary should reflect your school's music provision for the given school year and your plans for subsequent years. It should also refer to any existing partnership with your local music hub or other music education organisations that supports the school with music provision.

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## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/2025
Date this summary was published	September 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Ben Longland
Name of local music hub	Herts Music Service
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Dragon of the North Creative Arts

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

This is about what we teach in lesson time, how much time is spent teaching music and any music qualifications or awards that pupils can achieve.

To read in more detail about the provision music at Panshanger Primary School, please visit our music curriculum page

<https://panshanger.herts.sch.uk/curriculum/subjects/music/>

Music is taught in class every week and is informed by Dragon of the North's curriculum (Sept 24). Lessons are 45 minutes and are taught by a music specialist from the Dragon of the North Team. Musical learning is further supplemented by a weekly whole school music assembly lasting 20 minutes.

Children from Reception to Year 6 learn the fundamentals of rhythm, movement, coordination, listening, singing, solfège, improvisation, notation and composition. Each of these areas is carefully developed through 7 phases and every class performs three times a year in termly concerts.

## Part B: Co-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.

We run a Year 6 lunch time band club which rotates every half term and provides the accompaniment to the songs learnt in the whole school music assembly.

We offer three separate after school clubs over the year for key stage 2 students which include, choir, band club and a drumming club. Tuition for these clubs is free for pupil premium students and students receiving free school meals. Each club runs for one term before rotating.

Pupils can use the school hall to practise outside of lesson time, once a week, on the day of our music specialist.

Panshanger work in partnership with Dragon of The North Creative Arts.

## 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.

Panshanger has a longstanding tradition of fully inclusive termly concerts which include performances from each year group and are a showcase for the whole school music assembly pieces learnt each term. These happen at the end of each term.

Nursery and Reception perform a Nativity at the end of the Autumn Term.

Year 1, 2 and 3 perform a play at the end of the Autumn Term.

Year 4 and 5 perform a play at the end of the Spring Term.

Year 6 perform a play in the Summer Term.

The whole school take a trip to our local festive pantomime each year. This is free of charge for all children from Reception to Year 6 to attend.

We have links with our local secondary schools which allow us to attend live music performances.

All children attend a weekly singing assembly led by Dragon of The North Creative Arts.

## In the future

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

- To increase number of performances by professional musicians in school
- To develop peripatetic provision