

Music development plan summary: Sithney C.P. School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 - 2026
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Name of the school music lead	Suzanne Bray
Name of local music hub	CMST (Cornwall Music Service Trust)

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.

- Our music curriculum can be found on the school website.
- It is inclusive for all learners through methods of adaptive teaching.
- Our aim is for all children to access a sequence of progressive lessons of quality music within each term, with some classes accessing music every half term.
- Kapow is used within our school, which uses the National Curriculum at the heart of its inspiring program of study.
- Children have the opportunity to sing within lessons, in the Christmas production and in assemblies. There is a regular singing assembly to introduce new songs and build upon existing ones. The focus is on enjoyment and being part of a massed choir.
- Through ASONE, CMST have provided a peripatetic music teacher, who has taught the children to play an instrument. In Autumn 2024, the KS1 class took part in the KS1 Inspiration Project, whilst the UKS2 class took part in the Music Technology Project. These projects ended with a performance in front of the rest of the school.

- During Autumn term 2, the children all participated in a whole school Christmas production, consisting of acting, singing and dancing.
- During this year the whole school participated in services at Sithney Church (Harvest, Christmas Carol and Easter). They practised 3-4 hymns regularly in the lead up to the service.

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.

- Music specialist teachers from CMST offer the opportunity for children to learn to play the piano and drums. This is paid for by parents. There is financial support available for Pupil Premium children. More information about signing up to instrumental lessons can be found on the CMST website
<https://cmst.co.uk/signup>
- There is a lunchtime music club in Study Zone on Tuesdays, for children who are learning to play an instrument and would like some time and a space to practise.
- An after-school music club ran during the Autumn term and was free to attend. A choir club also took place, with the children have opportunities to perform at Tescos and at Sithney Church. In the Spring term, a KS1 recorders club took place.

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.

In the future

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

- This year, the peripatetic piano teacher, led a whole-school assembly, with both those learning to play the piano/ keyboard and the teacher performing.
- The children have been involved in various musical experiences over the year. In the Spring a violinist and pianist performed to KS1 and KS2 and during this term the whole school took part in workshops led by Will Keating, with the end result being KS1 and KS2 participating in the Cornish Mass Sing at The Hall for Cornwall.
- This year we are planning to attend more events through ASONE and will be researching what opportunities are available locally for the children to experience live musical performances.

We aim to continue to work with ASONE, providing children with rich learning experiences from music specialists.

We aim to have at least two performances a year for those having music tuition at school to perform in front of the school and their parents.

We plan to continue to provide opportunities for the children to enjoy live music.

During school singing assemblies, we plan to build upon those in KS2 who can play an instrument, providing the musical accompaniment.