

Music development plan summary: Crowan Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
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Name of the school music lead	Hannah Phillips
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	James Hitchens (Strategic Partner) Tamsin Harris (Head of School)
Name of local music hub	ASONE
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Christine Judge - 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.

At Crowan Primary School, our music curriculum intends to inspire creativity, self-expression and encourages our children on their musical journeys as well as giving them opportunities to connect with others. We hope to foster a life-long love of music by exposing them to diverse musical experiences and igniting a passion for music.

At Crowan Primary School, pupils are taught music weekly using the Charanga Spiral curriculum, which reflects our commitment to a broad and balanced curriculum where all children can flourish. In addition to this dedicated weekly hour, music is incorporated across the school within daily routines and songs, break times, assemblies, curricular links and performances. All children, from Reception to Year 6, have access to a range of instruments throughout their time at school.

Crowan Primary School's music offer:

Our school music curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum, this is delivered using the spiral curriculum format from the Charanga programme. Charanga Musical School Units of Work enable children to understand musical concepts through a repetition-based approach to learning. Learning about the same musical concept through different musical activities enables a more secure, deeper learning and mastery of musical skills.

Example opportunities for pupils to learn to play an instrument, perform and sing are enabled through:

- a school choir
- Rocksteady lessons
- Opportunities to listen, appraise, improvise and perform within the Charanga programme.
- Each class has yearly access to a specialised music teacher from Cornwall Music Service Trust
- Year 1 and Year 2 children are involved in the Key Stage 1 Inspiration project for an hour a week in the Autumn Term (12 weeks), organised and led by Christine Judge from Cornwall Music Service Trust
- Year 3 children have First Access ukulele lessons for an hour a week in the Spring Term (12 weeks), organised and led by Christine Judge from Cornwall Music Service Trust
- Crowan Primary School and the music lead works in partnerships with the ASONE Music Hub, Cornwall Music Service Trust, and the Aspire Music Network / Hub schools sharing instruments and resources.

All pupils at Crowan Primary School access quality music teaching. Pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) are supported in a variety of ways. The provision on offer for our SEND 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.

Specific provisions for SEN children can include:

- A 'quiet room' which encourages open discussion on the concepts being taught and provides the environment needed to take risks for new learning
- Adult support within the lesson as and when needed, or smaller group work
- Work can be differentiated based on the needs of the student, scaffolded in a way that makes it accessible to their individual learning need
- Adapted tools and equipment

Charanga also has a range of SEND resources and apps including their units 'Anyone Can Play' and a number of signed songs. These are available for any children where it helps them to access the music curriculum.

The National Curriculum for music can be found by clicking on the following link:

[National Curriculum - Music key stages 1 to 2 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Our Charanga Curriculum Overview can be accessed by clicking on the following link:

[Original Scheme/Schemes and Scheme Builder Overview/Home – Cornwall Music Education Hub \(charanga.com\)](https://charanga.com)

In Reception, music is woven into continuous provision with opportunities to explore and perform. There is a focus on music to support Communication and Language; Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Expressive Arts. This is also supported through Charanga using the Original Scheme units for Reception. Singing and movement take place daily in a fun and interactive way to build community cohesion and a sense of belonging.

An overview for our music curriculum in Reception can be found here:

[Music in Reception Unit Overview \(1\).pdf](#)

In addition to working with Cornwall Music Service Trust to provide whole class instrument lessons, we also work closely with them to continue our CPD and provide wider musical opportunities at Crowan Primary School as set out in Part B.

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.

At Crowan Primary School, pupils are able to access a variety of co-curricular opportunities: Choir, Rocksteady, and opportunities through the Cornwall Music Service Trust and the ASONE hub.

- Pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 are able to access a free weekly choir club with the music lead. The choir prepares for musical events at the school, such as Harvest Festival, carol concerts, and visits to a local residential home for the elderly. Choir members also take part in Songfest (organised by ASONE).

- Pupils are able to access a variety of instrumental lessons through the Rocksteady programme which takes pupils from Reception to Year 6. Rocksteady offers the facility for children to learn the drums, bass guitar, guitar and keyboard, as well as vocals. The programme offers an extra place for every Pupil Premium pupil enrolled. Rocksteady lessons are well advertised to our families and pupil uptake of lessons is high.
- Space for pupils to rehearse and perform is allocated, for example the hall is booked out one morning a week on a Friday for the Rocksteady programme, and on a Wednesday afternoon for the teacher from Cornwall Music Service Trust.
- Instruments shared with hub schools within the Aspire Trust.

We also work closely with the Hub to signpost children to opportunities outside of school such as the Youth Choirs and Ensembles.

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.

At Crowan Primary School pupils are offered a variety of musical opportunities. Pupils are able to choose to get involved through clubs or are given the opportunity through arranged experiences. This may be through participation or as part of the audience.

Our musical experiences include:

- Harvest festival at the local church for Reception, Key stage 1 and 2, performing Harvest songs and performing with ukuleles and other instruments
- Evening carol concerts at the church for Reception, Key stage 1 and 2, performing Christmas songs and performing with ukuleles and other instruments
- Nativity performance for EYFS and Key Stage 1. We perform to Little Beebles pre-school, the whole school, staff and parents over three or four performances.
- Summer performance to parents and the school for Key stage 2
- Song Fest performance (Opening act) Key stage 2 (Bus paid for by the school)
- Termly Rocksteady concert for parents and whole school
- Singing assemblies every Wednesday
- Community carol singing at the local residential home for the elderly
- Music and singing within our topic learning
- Visiting musicians to the school

Through the ASONE Hub, we gain access to opportunities to hear professional musicians in school and on trips, including through Songfest.

In the future

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

Over the next academic year, we aim to focus on the following areas to improve our music offer at Crowan Primary:

- Ensure there is continuation of high-quality, consistent teaching of music through the Charanga programme through monitoring of the subject (lesson visits, pupil and staff conferencing). New staff to have access to Charanga and support given from the music lead.
- Trial use of floor books to ensure greater evidence of the teaching and learning of music, as well as digital recordings.
- Access to Sing Up
- Continue to liaise with Hub schools to develop sharing of class sets of instruments.
- Develop the school choir – new pupils, performances to parents, performances within the community
- Develop music in assemblies linking with school values
- Develop transition between primary and secondary schools regarding the teaching of music, tuition, instruments learned etc.
- Develop performance opportunities between Hub schools and in the wider Trust ensuring all pupils access opportunity for music celebration and performances
- We would like to increase our uptake in individual music lessons

Further information (optional)

The Department for Education publishes a guide for parents and young people on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school. Information on how you can sign up for individual music lessons at Crowan Primary School can be found here:

[Cornwall Music Service Trust \(cmst.co.uk\)](http://cmst.co.uk)

Opportunities and work provided through the Cornwall Music Hub – As One – can be found here:

[COMMUNITY FEED | ASONE Hub \(asoneperform.com\)](http://asoneperform.com)

