

Music development plan Overview: Hamstreet Primary Academy

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	2026-2027
Date this summary was published	July 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2027
Name of the school music lead	Mrs Nicola Bolton
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Kent Music Hub (Ashford)
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Make Time For Music

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 Hamstreet Primary Academy, the children have a weekly music lesson which can range from 30 minutes to an hour in total.*
- Our school uses the Charanga scheme and the staff have had recent training to make effective use and implement and teach its new Model Music Curriculum alongside the Original Scheme.
- In Year 4, the children are given the opportunity to learn a musical instrument through the Music Plus provided by Make Time for Music with instruments provided by Kent Music. This has been a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn a classical instrument and the children are given the opportunity to continue tuition if they wish. The Year 4 children also celebrate with an annual concert to their families in Term 6.
- At Hamstreet Primary Academy, there are peripatetic lessons from Kent Music Service and private teachers currently in the following instruments: Voice, piano, ukulele, guitar and drums. These are funded by the parents and financial support is also provided for Pupil Premium children or disadvantaged children for individual or group lessons. .

Hamstreet Academy work in close partnership with Kent Music and our hub leader – Lucy Duff who provides support and regularly provides updates for instrumental tuition and ensemble opportunities across the local area both in term time and during the holidays.

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.

Peripatetic Staff currently offer the following in one to one & small group tuition during the school day:

- Ukulele
- Voice
- Guitar
- Percussion
- Music Therapy

- Piano - Make Time for Music
- Drums Make Time for Music
- Piano- KMS

Children can also join the choir which, from September will be taught after school.

There are also opportunities for Hamstreet to join up with local secondary schools for Music Celebration Days across the academic year.

Children are able to loan instruments through the school or through KMS so that music making can continue outside of school hours and during the holidays.

Hamstreet has a dedicated music room with a piano, electronic drum kit, a set of ukuleles, guitars, various woodwind, boom whackers, percussion trolley and untuned/tuned percussion to support both curriculum music and peripatetic lessons.

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.

Hamstreet Primary Academy is very proud of our talented children and we regularly provide opportunities to sing and perform across the Academic year.

These include:

- Young Voices Concert – KS2
- Annual Music Concert in July for both instrumentalists and the School Choir
- Weekly Singing Assembly led by a music specialist.
- Choir performing in School at various events across the school calendar
- Year 4 Clarinet Concert to celebrate their learning through Music Plus from KMS learning across the year.
- Nativity – EYFS & KS1
- Annual Production for Years 3 & 4 in Term 4
- Annual Production for Years 5 & 6 in Term 6

In the future

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

In the next year 2026-2027, we are planning to continue to raise the profile of music and provide even more opportunities for performing both inside and outside of our Academy.

These include:

- Performing in our local community
- Classes performing in assemblies to celebrate their curriculum music through the Charanga Scheme of Work.
- More PP children/disadvantaged children having fully funded music lessons.