

# Music development plan summary: The Fells Federation consisting of Coniston CofE Primary School and John Ruskin Secondary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 - 2025
Date this summary was published	July 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Mrs G Duckering
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mr P Blackburn
Name of local music hub	Cumbria Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Music at KS2 – One 45-minute lesson per week.

Music at KS3 – One 50-minute lesson per week.

Music at KS4 - three 50-minute lessons per week.

KS2 & 3 are both based on the National Curriculum.

KS4 follows the OCR GCSE Music syllabus

Lessons are based on the 3 skills of Listening & Appraising, Performing and Composing.

At KS2 pupils have the opportunity to develop all of the above skills through whole class and small group activities and performances.

At KS3 pupils have the opportunity to develop all of the above skills working individually, in pairs, small groups and as whole class.

KS2 use a range of tuned and percussion instruments, keyboards, guitars, ukuleles and voices.

KS3 have the opportunity to perform and compose using a range of instruments including: Keyboards, guitars, tuned and untuned percussion including the drum kit, ukuleles, recorders and boom whackers.

KS3 & 4 pupils have the opportunity to take graded exams through their individual music lessons in school with peripatetic teachers.

KS4 pupils can achieve a GCSE in Music, following the OCR syllabus.

## 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 tuition**

Music tuition is available on the following instruments:

Singing, woodwind, brass, drum kit, guitar – bass, electric, classical and folk. Ukulele, Piano/keyboard, and violin.

Pupils who take Music GCSE as an option and pupils who are on the pupil premium scheme receive lessons free of charge.

### **Extra-curricular**

Pupils have the opportunity to join music clubs at lunchtimes. These include choir, brass group, folk band and keyboard club. From Sept 2024 there will also be a band and guitar club available. Pupils also make their own Rock bands which perform in concerts in school.

Practice rooms are available in the Music dept for pupils to practice at lunchtimes and these are also used for instrumental/vocal tuition.

## 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.

KS2 – Coniston primary school – the uptake of instrumental tuition has increased over the past year and pupils have lessons on the drum kit, guitar, recorder and keyboard. Pupils have performed in assembly to the whole school and at the end of term for parents.

## In the future

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

KS2 – Coniston primary school – are going to take part in 'Young voices' next spring

KS3 & KS4 – Music assemblies to take place on a regular basis (once or twice per half term) to help raise the profile of music in school and encourage pupils to perform on a regular basis.

Music concert – Christmas and in the spring.

Music to collaborate with drama on productions/shows.

## Further information (optional)

Pupils are kept informed of music events available through the Cumbria music hub and other events e.g., National Youth orchestra and choir, Keldwyth award – a competition for young musicians in Cumbria. Pupils who have peripatetic lessons in school also take part in The South Cumbria Music Festival in Ulverston each year performing solos and in groups/choirs.