

Music development plan summary: [Fern Academy Trust]

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-2027
Date this summary was published	1 st October 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	1 st October 2027
Name of the school music lead	Mrs S Jenkins
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Encore Enterprises
Name of other music education organisation	Charanga

Music Curriculum

- Our school music curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021), non-statutory guidance for teaching music from Key Stages 1 to 3.
- All pupils at Fern Academy Trust have opportunities to learn to sing or play an instrument during lesson time, through whole-class ensemble teaching in Year 3 and Year 4 as well as 45 mins of music teaching using the scheme Charanga of progressive, targeted and inclusive musicianship.
- Pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) require exceptional teaching to support their achievement and enjoyment. We provide technology to support their learning and improvised access to instrument playing.
- We are in partnership with Encore Herefordshire Music Service.

Co-curricular music

Music tuition, choirs and ensembles

Fern Academy offers free music tuition during lunch times and after school. We have links with musicians who offer private lessons during school time. Our choir is growing rapidly and meeting weekly enjoying different genres of music as well as singing at public events in the community.

Musical Events

Children take part in weekly singing assemblies, yearly musical performances, end of year concerts, Harvest, Easter, Christmas and Year 6 end of year shows. Our Year 5 children sing as part of Young Voices choir yearly at Birmingham Arena which is a trip not to be missed. There is no charge for children to attend these events.

In the future

To improve the quality and consistency of music teaching across the school through the implementation of the Charanga scheme

To enrich musical experiences and cultural capital through increased exposure to live and recorded music and performance opportunities

To improve music composition skills using digital technology and creative teaching strategies

To engage families and the wider school community in music education

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