Music development plan summary: Twin Oaks Primary School

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	2026-7
Date this summary was published	September 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2027
Name of the school music lead	Mhairi Boswell
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Lewisham Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Sing Up Lewisham Music Piano Fun Club

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 Twin Oaks Primary School we follow the Sing Up Music scheme.

This scheme meets all the statutory curricular requirements in the National Curriculum for England published in 2021. Children have a music lesson each week although this may be broken down in smaller sessions of 20 minutes across the week in EYFS & KS1).

During lesson time pupils have the chance to listen to music, sing and perform.

The school works with the Lewisham Music hub to take up opportunities such as whole class instrument teaching as well as choral performances with other schools. Currently children in Years 3 and 4 learn African drumming on a two yearly cycle. Children in 2025/6 who were in Years 3 and 4 received lessons last year.

The school performs at 'Songfest' a singing opportunity offered in the Summer term.

The Year 3 children have previously taken part in the 12 choirs of Christmas run by the Old Vic, giving them the chance to perform on stage at the Old Vic with other children and adults.

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.

The school works with Piano Fun Club to provide individual and small group tuition for piano and guitar. These are funded by parents, and a proportion of lessons are offered for free to disadvantaged children.

Children in Years 2-4 work with an experienced opera singer each week, provided by Primary Robins. This supports their vocal range and ability as well as their listening skills.

The school has a choir for Years 3-6 which meets regularly. They perform in assemblies such as our Harvest celebration as well as end of term concerts to parents. The choir annually performs at the O2 as part of Young Voices and in the past has also sung for the Queen's platinum jubilee and at the Old Vic. There is currently no charge for pupils to join the choir and practise for an hour after school each week.

The school have previously worked in partnership with the London Philharmonic Orchestra to compose their own music based on Appalachian Spring, working closely with professional musicians.

In the past the school have worked with Anthem Music to compose and record our own school song.

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.

The school takes advantage of the opportunities available in London to support children's musical education. We regularly attend the BrightSparks concerts at the Festival Hall put on by the LPO, performances at The Albany Theatre in Deptford and other London based musical opportunities which span opportunities for all year groups.

The choir sings annually at the O2 where the children not only perform, but watch other performers. The is an opportunity for children in KS2.

The classes who have whole class music tuition perform to parents and the school at the end of each set of lessons.

Children regularly sing as part of termly class assemblies where the audience is other children, staff and families.

Each year group has the chance to perform at least once year in a concert or production at the end of a term. Reception and Year 1, Years 4 and 5 perform at the end of the Autumn Term, Years 2 and 3 perform at the end of the Spring term and Year 6 perform at the end of the Summer term.

Year 4 take part in Lewisham's Songfest where they sing music with other children from other schools, to parents and friends, as well as listening to music played by older, secondary aged children.

In the future

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

- To develop a further links with a local secondary school music department (Deptford Green). In order that our pupils can experience further performances, both instrumental and vocal, into KS3.
- To further develop performing opportunities for the choir, ie through Community School events such as the Eid Celebration and The Summer Fair.
- To further publicise the Lewisham Maths Hub / Saturday Music School to parents & carers/