

Music development plan: Nancledra School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Music lead	Lucy Ainsley Clough
School leadership team member with responsibility for music	Louise Williams
Governor with responsibility for Music	Toni Edwards
Local music hub	ASONE Music Hub Cornwall
Name of other music education organisations	Cornwall Music Service Trust and Minack Theatre

Curriculum music

- We are the Music Lead school in Cornwall for I.D.E.A, sharing good inclusive practice and adaptive teaching in music.
- We have a bespoke music curriculum written and designed by our specialist Primary Music Lead. Our curriculum has many similarities to the MMC. We use Sing Up and Charanga as resources but not schemes. Children have weekly music lessons taught by the Music Lead. Each year group is taught separately learning a predominantly instrumental skills based curriculum.
- Key Stage 1 have 30 minutes, Lower Key stage 2 have 40 minutes and Upper Key Stage 2 have 50 minute weekly lessons. In addition to this children have extra rehearsal time when preparing for performances and take part in weekly singing assembly.
- The curriculum follows a mastery approach where children learn the recorder, tuned percussion and ukulele as a whole class. The previous 2 years our Year 2's have been learning violin as a part of an inspirations project delivered by CMST. This has also increased the amount of time that these children are accessing music.

- Our curriculum is published in our handbook on our school website alongside SEND adaptations for each skill.
- We perform in a summer musical production alongside other schools at the Minack Theatre. This was funded by the ASONE hub and delivered by CMST. We also perform at outside venues such as Truro Cathedral and Hall for Cornwall.

Co-curricular music

- We offer instrumental lessons in Woodwind, Brass, Strings, Guitar and Piano. CMST offer subsidised lessons for Children on Pupil Premium.
- Musical instruments can be loaned from the ASONE hub and again this is subsidised for children who receive Pupil Premium. The school has its own class sets of violins, recorders, ukuleles and glockenspiels.
- All children who receive instrumental lessons inside or outside school are encouraged to join the school band which takes place at lunchtime and is free.
- All children in Key Stage 2 are able to join the choir which takes place first thing in the morning. The choir is fully inclusive and performs annually at Hall for Cornwall in the Summer and at the Tate St Ives at Christmas.
- Children are encouraged to bring in their instruments when composing in curriculum music.
- To enhance performance opportunities and group playing, we take our instrumentalists to workshops provided by CSMT. The last few years we have been involved in the Chapel Street Music Project where children have worked alongside professional musicians.

We have reintroduced singing assembly adding The Younger Years to join in some sessions.

We perform a Christmas show annually to parents and friends of our school. Sometimes this is inhouse, sometimes this is at a performance venue.

All children in upper Key Stage 2 perform at the Minack Theatre in a musical production.

At Christmas, we take children to local nursing homes to sing Christmas songs as well as busking at local supermarkets.

Children who have instrumental lessons perform in recital week in the summer term to their families.

In the future

We are currently an Artsmark Gold School and a Music Mark School. We are beginning our second Artsmark journey where we plan to maintain gold and aspire to reach platinum by providing more outreach projects.

Some of the ways in which we aim to do this are as follows:

- Maintain instrumental lessons for children in each instrument, and increase uptake in Brass.
- Choir will continue its time slot in the morning, but we plan to increase repertoire and go out into the community to perform.
- Introduce new instrumentalists into the band and reform after year 6 leavers.
- Children access performances at least annually via CSMT and ASONE Hub.
- Instrumental Teachers visit to do music assemblies, enabling children to hear and see the instruments being played live, as well as inspiring and increasing uptake in instrumental lessons.
- There will be a listening calendar of music for assemblies where we plan to create a more diverse experience from both composers and performers.
- This is the first year we will be a lead school so we are excited to see where this journey takes us, hoping to forge more collaborations with other organisations.

Further information

Links:

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

ASONE Music Hub: [PROGRAMME | ASONE Hub \(asoneperform.com\)](http://asoneperform.com)

Sing Up: [Sing Up - Love learning, start singing](http://singup.org.uk)

Charanga: [A world-leading music teaching and learning platform. \(charanga.com\)](http://charanga.com)

Minack Theatre: [Minack Theatre](http://minacktheatre.com)

ABRSM Music Medals and Grades for our instrumental teachers: [Homepage | ABRSM](#)

Music Mark: [Music Mark | Leaders in High Quality Music Education](#)

Artsmark: [Welcome \(artsmark.org.uk\)](#)