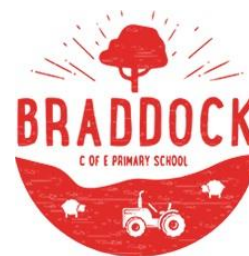


# Music development plan summary: Braddock C of E School



## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/2026
Date this summary was published	23rd February 2026
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Name of the school music lead	Jodie Ayrton
Name of local music hub	Cornwall Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Rocksteady

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

At Braddock C of E School, music is a vibrant and valued part of school life, inspiring every child to explore and express their creativity. Our curriculum is carefully sequenced to build knowledge, skills and confidence over time. Music is taught weekly in all year groups, with a minimum of one dedicated lesson per week in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, ensuring consistent progression in performing, composing, listening and appraising using the Charanga programme. In addition, pupils regularly take part in singing through collective worship and school performances, further strengthening their musical development.

During lesson time, children learn to sing confidently and expressively, play tuned and untuned instruments, compose using notation (both standard and graphic), and evaluate music across a wide range of genres, cultures and historical periods. Whole-class ensemble teaching is provided in selected year groups through our partnership with our local Music Hub, enabling pupils to learn an instrument as part of their curriculum experience, led by specialist teachers. We maintain a broad range of instruments in school to support practical, hands-on learning for all pupils.

We are committed to ensuring that music is accessible and inclusive. Adaptations are made so that pupils with SEND and disabled pupils can fully participate, including

differentiated resources, adapted instruments where appropriate, scaffolded  
additional adult support.



Through high-quality classroom teaching, specialist partnerships and opportunities to  
perform, Braddock C of E School ensures that every child develops musical  
understanding, confidence and a lifelong appreciation of music.

## **Part B: Music tuition, choirs and ensembles**

In addition to our weekly curriculum music lessons, Braddock C of E School offers a range of opportunities for pupils to develop their musical skills beyond the classroom. Instrumental and vocal tuition is available through partnerships with our local Music Hub and visiting music specialists, delivered through one-to-one and small-group lessons during the school week. Instruments offered vary according to demand but typically include guitar, keyboard, drums and a range of orchestral and band instruments. We are committed to ensuring equality of access and offer a number of fully funded places for disadvantaged pupils, including those eligible for Pupil Premium funding, so that financial circumstances do not present a barrier to participation.

Pupils can take part in a range of ensembles and singing opportunities outside lesson time. Our school choir club is open to pupils across Key Stage 2 and performs regularly in school and within the local community. Through our partnership with Rocksteady Music School, pupils also have the opportunity to take part in weekly band rehearsals, learning guitar, bass, drums, keyboard or vocals as part of a small ensemble. This inclusive, performance-led approach enables children to develop instrumental skills, teamwork and stage confidence, with termly concerts for families. We also benefit from singing assemblies led by a visiting musician, further strengthening vocal technique and musical understanding.

We are proud of our close relationship with St Pinnock Brass Band and St Pinnock Junior Band, of which many of our pupils are members. We work closely with the bands to help nurture and grow young musicians, creating a strong musical pathway from school into the wider community. This special partnership enables regular performances both in school and locally, including significant events such as the school's 185th anniversary celebrations and PTA fundraising occasions such as the Christmas carol concert.

Performance is central to our musical culture. In addition to end-of-unit performances linked to learning in subjects such as History and Geography, pupils take part in major seasonal productions at Easter, Spring, Christmas and the end of the academic year. These varied opportunities allow children to showcase their developing skills, build resilience and experience the joy of collaborative music-making.



This is about opportunities for pupils to sing and play music, outside of lessons including choirs, ensembles and bands, and how pupils can make progress beyond the core curriculum.

## **Part C: Musical experiences**

Music is woven throughout the wider life of Braddock C of E School, with a rich programme of musical events and experiences planned across the academic year. Singing forms a regular part of collective worship, where pupils from all year groups come together to learn and rehearse a broad repertoire of hymns and contemporary songs. These sessions help to develop pitch, harmony, musical memory and a shared sense of community.

Throughout the year, pupils take part in a range of performances and shows. These include seasonal services and productions at Christmas, Easter, Spring and the end of the academic year, as well as curriculum-linked showcases where children present work from music and other subjects. All pupils are given opportunities to perform as part of a class, phase group or ensemble, while older pupils may also take on solo or small-group roles. Families and members of the local community are invited to attend many of these events, strengthening the partnership between school and community.

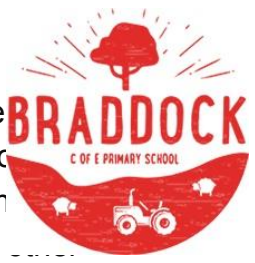
We are proud to work closely with St Pinnock Brass Band and St Pinnock Junior Band, who regularly perform for and alongside our pupils. In addition, children have opportunities to attend performances by local theatre companies and musicians, either in school or at local venues, broadening their experience of live music and performance.

For pupils in Upper Key Stage 2, our residential trip to London includes the opportunity to attend a West End musical, giving children first-hand experience of high-quality professional performance. These visits are carefully planned to enrich pupils' cultural capital and deepen their understanding of music, drama and stagecraft. Where trips or events involve a cost, we aim to keep this to a minimum and provide financial support or subsidies, including for pupils eligible for Pupil Premium funding, to ensure that all children are able to participate.

Through assemblies, concerts, productions and visits to professional performances, Braddock C of E School ensures that every child experiences the enjoyment, inspiration and aspiration that live music can bring.

## **In the future**

At Braddock C of E School, we are committed to continually reviewing and strengthening our music provision so that it reflects the highest expectations and the features of high-quality music education. Over the next two academic years, we plan to build further on our existing strengths across curriculum, co-curricular and enrichment opportunities.



As part of our ongoing development, Braddock C of E School aims to strengthen confidence and expertise in teaching music through targeted CPD. Our goal is to equip teachers with regular training in delivering engaging lessons across singing, work, composing, and listening, as well as effective use of Charanga and other curriculum resources.

We also plan to enhance staff subject knowledge across a wide range of musical genres, historical periods and traditions, so they feel confident bringing depth and enthusiasm to every lesson.

To enhance musical experiences further, we will look to increase opportunities for pupils to attend live performances, workshops with visiting musicians and collaborative projects with other local schools in the Trust. We will also explore pathways for pupils to achieve recognised awards, or the opportunity to sing with other schools across the county or even country.

Through these planned developments, we aim to ensure that every child at Braddock C of E School receives a high-quality, inclusive and aspirational music education, with clear routes for progression, regular performance opportunities and strong community partnerships that support a lifelong love of music.