

# Music development plan summary: *Outwood Academy Newbold*

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024 / 2025
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Name of the school music lead	Mr Robert Booth
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs Sara Jenkins
Name of local music hub	Derbyshire Music Education Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

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 Newbold, Key Stage 3 have 1 hour of Music timetabled each week. In class, students experience a broad range of topics that build their knowledge, understanding and confidence in a range of instruments and styles.

In Year 7, students complete units on the Musical Elements, Keyboard Skills, Blues Music, Ukuleles, Film Music and Time Travellers (1600 – 1900).

In Year 8, students engage in Band Skills, African Drumming, Rock N Roll, Reggae, Film Music and Music for the Media.

In Year 9, students demonstrate their skills in Jazz, Britpop, Musicals, British Invasion, Dance Music and Pop Music.

Students have the option to elect to take Music in Key Stage 4. Currently, students are completing the BTEC Tech Award in Music Practice. Comprised of 3 components, the BTEC course allows students engage in a range of activities and develop their skills in Performance, Production and Composition. This culminates in Component 3 which asks students to plan and create a version of a song in a different genre. Newbold

understands how important one-to-one tuition is to the success of this course and subsidises a 20 minute lesson each week for pupils completing this course.

Currently, Newbold does not have an A-level Music class but will be looking to recruit students to complete the BTEC Level 3 award in the future.

More detailed information on the Music Curriculum can be found on the Newbold [website](#).

## Part B: Extra-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.

One-to-one tuition on drums, guitar, piano and vocals are available for students who are keen on furthering their skills in Music. We are super lucky at Newbold to have knowledgeable, passionate, engaging and kind peripatetic staff who teach these instruments every week. If you are interested in participating in one-to-one tuition, please see Mr Booth who will be able to provide more information on staff, prices and availability.

Students will always have access to a Music enrichment after school. Currently, the choir has been going from strength to strength. A passionate bunch of over 10 students have been coming together for the past 2 years to build on their vocals and ensemble skills. Assisted by 2 TA's, choir has performed at Praising Stars evenings, PRIDE, Broomhill Care Home and carolled the students into school during the festive season. We look forward to seeing these students continue to shine in 2025.

Previous enrichments have included intervention for Key Stage 4 students, band skills and ukulele club. These enrichments may rotate in 2024.

## 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.

After the success of High School Musical in 2023, Outwood Academy Newbold students will return to the stage for Matilda the Musical. Cast members for High School Musical relished the opportunity to share their talents with the school and wider community and loved the feeling of being 'all in this together!' Auditions for Matilda will be taking place in September with the final performance being scheduled for April.

For the past 2 years, Outwood schools have hosted a 'Performer of the Year' competition. Open to all students with specific sections for KS3 and KS4 students, students can submit a solo or group performance in Music, Dance or Drama. Successful auditions are invited to perform at the final where the 'Outwood Performer of the Year' will be decided. The competition is normally announced in early 2025.

Students at Outwood Academy Newbold regularly have the opportunity to perform at school events including Praising Stars evenings, Charity Week, PRIDE and more. If you are interested in performing either a solo or group performance, please speak to your Music teacher.

## In the future

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

This year Outwood Academy Newbold are presenting Matilda JR in March where over 50 of our students will perform to an audience on three consecutive evenings. We are also continuing to develop our curriculum and share the love of learning in Music by teaching our students a range of instruments, musical theory and performance skills.

## Further information (optional)

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.

Newbold is involved with the Derbyshire Music Hub. More information on the wonderful work they do and more opportunities for students can be found on their [website](#).