

Music development plan summary: Burnley Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	January 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Gemma Scholes
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Lancashire Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Lancashire Music Service

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.

Information about our school Music curriculum is on the school website:

<https://www.holytrinitycofe.lancs.sch.uk/>

As a school, we follow the Charanga English Model Music Curriculum Scheme. This scheme is aligned with the National Curriculum for Music and the non-statutory Model Music Curriculum (MMC) Guidance (published by the DfE in 2021). More information can be found on the Charanga Musical School website:

<https://www.lancshitemusicshub.co.uk/>

These Charanga lessons include the key areas that contribute to the development of musicianship (Singing, Listening, Composing and Performing/Instrumental Performance).

Opportunities to learn how to sing are provided during Music lessons, and these opportunities are enhanced by whole-class/key stage ensemble performances such as the Nativity performance or the Lancashire *Let's Go Sing!* event. Whole-school daily

worship sessions include the singing of a variety of songs, plus full song practices throughout each half term.

A member of the Lancashire Music Service attends School on a weekly basis to teach whole-class keyboard lessons (Year 4) and small-group guitar lessons (available to KS2 pupils). Within Charanga Music lessons, children have the opportunity to use untuned instruments to accompany the focus song for the unit.

Year 3 and Year 5 take part in a yearly event with other schools called *Let's Go Sing!* which is held at a venue in Lancashire. Preparation for this event includes regular song practice and visits from a singing coach from the event to help the children prepare for their performance.

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.

The choir at Holy Trinity CE Primary School is open to all children in KS2. There is no additional cost to attend and it is held at lunch times (12.30pm-1pm) once per week.

Guitar lessons are provided by Lancashire Music Service. Small-group lessons are available for children in KS2 at a cost of £50 per term per pupil.
12 children currently attend guitar lessons.

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.

Throughout this academic year, the children have the following musical opportunities:

- Each week, the children will sing in daily whole-school Worship and take part in full singing worship sessions throughout each half term.
- In December, EYFS and KS1 children will perform their Nativity which will include singing performances for an audience (children in school, parents, carers and other stakeholders).
- In January, the whole school will attend a local pantomime. This event is free for the children to attend (the cost of the tickets and travel to and from the event is paid for by School).
- In March, Year 3 and Year 5 children will take part in the *Let's Go Sing!* event. This is an events for Lancashire schools and is a performance for a large audience. This event is free for the children to attend (the cost of travel to the event is paid for by School).
- In July, KS2 children will perform a production which will include singing performances for an audience (children in school, parents, carers and other stakeholders).

- In the Summer Term, the Year 4 children will do a musical performance on the keyboards to an audience (children in school, parents, carers etc).
- In the Summer Term, the children who take part in guitar lessons will do a musical performance to an audience (children in school, parents, carers etc).

Where there is a cost, additional musical experiences are currently paid for by School to allow access for all children.

In the future

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

Throughout the 2026/2027 academic year, the Music Subject Leader will be evaluating the impact of the current Music curriculum at Holy Trinity CE Primary School. This will be done through learning walks, Pupil Voice interviews with children of all ages throughout the school, plus observing other evidence of Music learning. Teachers and other adults who deliver Music learning at Holy Trinity will be approached for feedback on lesson delivery, impact on learning, professional development requirements etc. The Charanga Musical School scheme will be reviewed with a possibility of using the new Charanga Creative Music Scheme, which will meet the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum while offering creative freedom.

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.