

Music development plan summary: Baildon Glen Primary 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	July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Daniella Coles
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	West Yorkshire Music Hub

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.

Music lessons at Baildon Glen:

All classes across school have a weekly music lesson. This is split in the following ways:

Early Years: 30 minutes dedicated music session and music woven throughout other subjects and provision

Years 1 to 6: 1 hour whole class music lesson per week

Music Curriculum

Our music curriculum is designed with our whole school curriculum drivers at the heart, allowing children opportunities to use music to support their mental health, explore various possibilities, experience and celebrate fresh experiences and understand

equality and diversity. Through being exposed to different music genres, composers and artists, we aim to develop the children's Cultural Capital.

Children will perform, listen and analyse critically, sing, improvise and compose music and understand the musical elements as building blocks within music. All classes are supported by a scheme offered by the Bradford Music and Arts Service called Charanga in their music lessons. All classes are using the original scheme at the moment with access to the Model Music Curriculum (MMC) to support furthering their skills. This will transition to the whole school using the MMC from September 2025.

Essential things to know and learning over time.

In addition to the learning opportunities embedded in our curriculum approach, we endeavour to build a strong and durable understanding of the principals, theories and styles of music through our curriculum. This is achieved through retrieval practice which focuses on the following concepts and skills across each year group:

- Interrelated dimensions of music and musical vocabulary
- Music styles
- Repertoire of songs and lyrics
- Knowledge of and the ability to play instruments
- Knowledge of and the ability to follow notation

All lessons begin with retrieval tasks that allow children to build understanding over time.

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.

Music Tuition

Children have the opportunity to learn the guitar and have a 30 minutes session every week with a visiting expert.

Year 5 children have the opportunity to receive whole class guitar tuition once a week from a visiting expert.

Music Performances

All children have the opportunity to perform sing during our Christmas, Harvest and Good Work assemblies. Year 6 also perform at the end of the year in a musical presented to the whole school and parents.

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.

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Baildon Glen welcome performances from outside agencies and these provide a range new experiences for the children.

In the future

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

Development of the Music Curriculum at Baildon Glen

In 2026/7 we will be focussing on developing the wider musical experiences of the children through making links with our local secondary school, forming a school choir to attend Young Voices and increasing the opportunities for the children to listen to and appreciate live music performances.

Further information (optional)

Useful information

Bradford Music and Arts Service: <https://www.bradfordmusiconline.co.uk/site/>