

Music development plan summary: Great Kimble C of E School

Overview

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

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.

At Great Kimble, we use Kapow Primary Curriculum. This curriculum is interactive, with videos and explanations to assist with teacher knowledge and increase access for disabled pupils and supporting pupils with SEND.

You can find more information on the following page on our website:

[Music | Great Kimble Church of England School \(greatkimbleschool.co.uk\)](https://www.greatkimbleschool.co.uk)

For the academic year of 2025- 2026, children at Great Kimble will be having an hour of music every other half term, to allow more time to learn skills and embed them. We feel that this will benefit the children, rather than having 30 minutes every week.

During lessons, children are given an opportunity to play tuned and untuned instruments. We have increased our availability of these instruments during the last academic year. The children also have apps available on iPad to support their learning, such as Garage Band.

Some of our units focus on vocal techniques and use of their voice as an instrument. The children also have an opportunity to think about environmental drumming and how our environment can be used to make music. We are lucky to have Smokey Row (our outside area), which teachers can use, if they see fit.

At Great Kimble we offer musical lessons. The children have access to piano and guitar lessons during the school day. We also have a KS1 and KS2 choir and these children perform at our local church (St Nics), a local Open Farm Day, our summer fete and in assemblies. Children also have access to a recorder club, which teaches them how to play this instrument.

As a school, we value singing. We have Out of the Arc music and the children learn and perform each week in assembly. This song is related to our value covered during that week.

Each term, our children perform a Wednesday Worship at our local church (St Nics). During this worship, the children will learn a song that is related to the value covered and they perform it to their parents.

To encourage all children to access the musical curriculum, the Kapow videos have demonstrations, to show skills and explain knowledge. There is also teacher videos and information to ensure that adults understand musical terms and skills.

Each morning, children have a collective worship as a whole school. During this collective worship, children will listen to a variety of music, following our musical calendar, which includes classical, best sellers, air guitar, folk music, legendary women and legendary men.

As we are part of the Great Learner's Trust, we are able to contact other schools, within our trust, for support and advise.

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.

At Great Kimble we offer musical lessons.

The children have access to 1: 1 piano and guitar lessons during the school day. We also offer group band lessons (Rocksteady).

We also have a KS1 and KS2 choir and these children perform at our local church (St Nics), a local Open Farm Day, our summer fete and in assemblies.

Children also have access to a recorder club, which teaches them how to play this instrument.

Some children access our local music hub or have musical lessons outside of school time.

Children are encouraged to bring in any certificates or photographs of musical achievements or enrichments. These can also be sent to school, so they can be included in our weekly newsletter.

Choir is a free club, available for all students.

Recorder is £3 per session, which is run by a specialised music teacher. This is free for pupil premium pupils.

Rocksteady is charged at £44 a month for lessons.

1:1 piano lesson is available for half hourly weekly lessons payable in half termly blocks of £18.50 per lesson.

1:1 guitar lesson is available for £13.50 for 20 minutes and £22.50 for 30 minutes. Currently, we do not have any group lessons, but this is a possibility, if interest arises.

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.

Our school choir perform at our local church (St Nics), a local Open Farm Day, our summer fete and in assemblies. This is a free club for children at Great Kimble School.

Our FOKS (Friends of Kimble School), pay for a pantomime to come into school and perform to the children.

Each day, during collective worship, children will sing together. This song is related to the value covered that week during these sessions.

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following our musical calendar, which includes classical, best sellers, air guitar, folk music, legendary women and legendary men.

Each term, children in our school perform a Wednesday Worship in our local church. During this worship, the children will perform a song that they have been learning. They perform for their parents and the rest of the school.

Children are encouraged to share their talents and hobbies. They have a chance to perform in Kimble's Got Talent, which will run in the academic year of 2025-2026. The children will have the opportunity to share their musical skills to others.

In the future

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

Our plan is to research whole class musical lessons and how this would work. We also want to make more availability for musical clubs and this will be researched too.

We want to offer further places to perform for an audience. We will look into partnerships and our local music hub for this.

Further information (optional)

[Music Centres – Buckinghamshire Music Trust \(bucksmusic.org\)](https://bucksmusic.org) this is our local music hub centre.

[Music | Great Kimble Church of England School \(greatkimbleschool.co.uk\)](http://greatkimbleschool.co.uk)

this is a link to our music curriculum on our school website.

[Music education: information for parents and young people - GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk)

[\(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk) this is a link to the Department for Education guide for parents and young people (music)

[Music Education poster - primary.pdf \(artsCouncil.org.uk\)](http://artsCouncil.org.uk) this is a link to the Arts Council site to show the HM Government music poster.

[National curriculum in England: music programmes of study - GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk)

[\(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk) this is a link to the National Curriculum for music.