

Hebburn Comprehensive School Music Progression Strategy

This music progression strategy has been developed in collaboration with our Music Hub, following the release of the National Plan for Music in June 2022. As a school we hope each child grows to develop a love and passion for music.

Classroom:

- The curriculum is centred around performance, composition & listening, vocal work, the Musical Elements and the Model Music Curriculum.
- Singing is at the heart of the music department culture.
- KS3 pupils develop their musical ear at the start of each lesson with aural work and by listening to key works.
- Pupils have the opportunity to work with music technology software, such as MuseScore and BandLab Education.
- Pupils have the opportunity to compose each term, working with a variety of genre, ranging from beatboxing to jazz.
- At KS3 pupil vocal performances are recorded termly to monitor progress.
- At KS4 pupil vocal/instrumental performances are recorded termly to monitor progress.
- Pupils have the opportunity to play instruments in a whole-class situation, such as ukulele and samba percussion.
- See our careers noticeboard and listen out for information and guidance in lessons relevant to a career in music.

Extracurricular:

- Relevant local and national opportunities are signposted for all pupils.
- Pupils have the opportunity to study instrumental lessons on a weekly basis, in small or groups or one to one.
- Pupil Premium funding for music tuition beyond the classroom is available to subsidise instrumental lessons.
- Free singing lessons are available for all pupils who opt for GCSE Music.

- Instruments and practise rooms are available at lunch times and before/after school for pupils to rehearse. Meaning, you don't have to have your own instrument at home.
- The school pays for all graded music exams for instruments and voice.
- Pupils are able to access the whole school production.
- Pupils are encouraged to perform within ensembles and use the music department practise rooms to rehearse before/after school and during lunch times, leading to performance opportunities.
- Pupils are encouraged to showcase their performances within termly celebration assemblies.
- The school champion excellence and high achievement by working with national organisations, such as the National Youth Choir of Great Britain.
- Professional musicians visit the school to perform live shows for and with pupils.
- Professional musicians visit the school to perform for and with KS2 pupils to ensure excellence as part of transition.

Music Hub:

- Routes into further and higher education in music are signposted with our work with South Tyneside College, Sunderland College, Newcastle College, Gateshead College and Newcastle Sixth Form.
- Pupils are encouraged to attend Music Hub ensembles, which are free of charge.
- Instruments are available for pupils learning, to take home free of charge, subsidised by the Music Hub.