

Music development plan summary: Graffham CE Infant and Duncton CE Junior schools

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
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Name of the school music lead	Charles Beckerson
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Charles Beckerson
Name of local music hub	West Sussex Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	iRock Marco Frankland

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.

Graffham School

- **Curriculum Music:** Weekly lessons for all year groups taught by Mr Lloyd using the *Sing Up* curriculum.
- **Singing & Worship:** Led by Mr Beckerson, including special songs for occasions like Harvest.
- **School Song:** Children sing the *Graffham and Duncton Song* daily.
- **Annual Event:** Joint summer musical performance with Duncton.

Duncton School

- **Curriculum Music:** Weekly lessons for all year groups taught by specialist teacher Marco Frankland. This includes ukulele teaching for all children as well as using other general classroom instruments.
- **Singing & Worship:** Led by Mr Beckerson, including special occasion songs.
- **School Song:** Children sing the *Graffham and Duncton Song* daily.
- **Annual Event:** Joint summer musical performance with Graffham.

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.

Graffham School

- **Instrumental Tuition:** Private piano lessons available.
- Children are invited to sing in church at a Sunday service for important festivals in the Christian calendar e.g. Harvest, Christmas, Easter. Mr Beckerson accompanies the children on the guitar.

Duncton school

- **Instrumental Tuition:** Private piano and guitar lessons; iRock band sessions.

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.

We have a daily act of collective worship which includes singing. The children learn to sing a range of hymns and songs, including our own Graffham and Duncton song.

At Christmas, Graffham school children perform a nativity which includes lots of singing and opportunities for musical performance. At Duncton, we have a carol concert which involves every child.

At Duncton, the children who learn piano and guitar are given opportunities to play as the children enter and exit our collective worship sessions.

Also at Duncton, there is a termly iRock concert which is thoroughly enjoyed by the school community including parents and carers.

The summer performance involves all children in the singing and a significant number of children also play instruments to accompany the songs.

In the future

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

Provide more opportunities for the children to perform in front of their peers, using their voices and instruments.

Facilitate more children taking on a musical instrument to a higher level.

Provide more musical opportunities e.g. watching professional musicians in performance either by going on trips or by inviting them into school.