

Music development plan summary: Fullhurst Community College

Overview:

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-26
Date this summary was published	18 th September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Sophie Anderson
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	As above
Name of local music hub	Leicestershire Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Junior Academy of Music

Part A: Curriculum music

At Fullhurst Community College music lessons are compulsory at key stage three (years 7-9) with students receiving 1 hour per week for a 13-week cycle. All students are included in this offer, and students in our additional provisions also access music lessons.

The curriculum offer has been Influenced by aspects of the Model Music Curriculum through the inclusion of music technology/DAWs, approach to Rock/Pop Bands and some genres listed for specific year groups such as Reggae for Year 8.

At KS3 learners have the opportunity to experience a variety of instruments including Djembes, Keyboards, Ukuleles, Drums, Vocals in various ensemble sizes (solo, small ensemble and class performances). In year 10 and 11 students who opt to study music at K4 will complete a *BTEC Tech Award Level 1/2 in Music Practice* providing them further access to percussion, string instructions and various technology-based product. The school has a strong partnership with the Leicestershire Music Hub.

Part B: Co-curricular music

Outside of the curriculum offer students have the opportunity to visit the music room at set times during lunch and attend after school Music Clubs in all year groups. Both to support their work in completing the BTEC award and to practice and perform with

instruments. Keen music students often volunteer to play pop up performances at showcase, open and presentation evenings throughout the school year and also contribute to assemblies. The music department has a close link with the Drama department to support with school musicals/shows. KS4 students can be loaned instruments in order to support them making progress towards their qualification and enhance skills on their given instrument/s.

Part C: Musical experiences

Students will have the opportunity to visit shows at the Curve Theatre in Leicester, take part in the school musical (this year the musical the Addams Family), be involved in musical workshops (bucket drumming), witness external speakers from industry experts throughout the year and attend musical performances, such as from the Birmingham symphony orchestra and much more. Students have the opportunity to learn about different cultures through music, for example gospel, steel pans and bhangra.

In the future

In subsequent years we would like to introduce woodwind/ brass instruments into the curriculum offer alongside building upon what we currently have in place with the use of technology across the curriculum. This will also include the use of our radio suite. In order to encourage more learners into KS4 study we plan on enhancing our extra-curricular offer and experiences lower down the school by building links and relationships with local feeder schools to engage students to find a love of music within the curriculum early on. Teaching staff will be visiting schools across the community to offer master class workshops and inviting schools into Fullhurst for one off music lessons. This year we will be introducing Peri-teachers for Tuition for KS3 students to support with skills development. It is vital for our learners to experience a broad range of musical genres/methods of music so further plans will be drawn to facilitate the buzz around music in school via more frequent trips, workshops and external guests. We aim to set up our very own Fullhurst chore with the support of Leicestershire Music Hub during this academic year.