

Music development plan summary: Haileybury Turnford

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024/25
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Name of the school music lead	S Nicholson
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N Shivalkar (Senior Leadership Team line manager for Creative & Performing Arts Faculty)
Name of local music hub	Hertfordshire Music Service
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Music Mark Our school has been awarded Music Mark status due to the high-quality music education our students receive.

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our students 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 students and parents or carers understand what our school offers and who we work with to support our students' 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 students can achieve.

<p>Curriculum</p> <p>KS3 music is timetabled for one hour per week, five hours per fortnight for KS4 and 8 hours per fortnight for KS5.</p> <p>The link to the full music curriculum:</p> <p>KS3: https://haileyburyturnford.com/app/uploads/2024/04/Music-Curriculum-Overview-KS3.pdf</p>

KS4: <https://haileyburyturnford.com/app/uploads/2022/09/Music-Curriculum-overview-KS4.pdf>

KS5: <https://haileyburyturnford.com/app/uploads/2022/09/Music-Curriculum-Overview-KS5.pdf>

In KS3 students cover a wide range of topics including World Music, Ensemble music, Keyboard Skills, Film music and Minimalism. Students cover the following areas in all topics: performing, composing and listening, as recommended in the model music curriculum (March 2021). Our curriculum is constantly being reviewed based on current guidance and research.

Throughout the curriculum there are many opportunities to sing and play instruments. All music lessons are practical with students composing or performing every lesson. KS3 has an ensemble unit where students do whole class and small group ensembles. Students regularly work in small groups during most music lessons at KS3.

Workshops led by Hertfordshire Music Service, complement our curriculum. For example, we have African drumming and Steel Pan workshops for KS3. In KS4 we hold a song writing workshop led by Hertfordshire Music Service.

At KS4 students follow the BTEC Tech Award in Music Practice.

At KS5 students follow the BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music Performance.

All instrumental students are encouraged to work towards external graded music exams.

Part B: Co-curricular music

This is about opportunities for students to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands, and how students can make progress in music beyond the core curriculum.

Instrumental lessons

Haileybury Turnford has a team of visiting instrumental teachers who between them give tuition in guitar, piano/keyboard, drums, and voice. Mrs van Beek, one of our class music teachers, also gives violin lessons. Many of our students take up the opportunity to learn an instrument. Instrumental tuition is usually through individual lessons. Students are encouraged to work towards external grade exams in their instrumental lessons. There are funding options available for students through student premium funding. Students eligible for free school meals can apply for remission of fees direct through Hertfordshire Music Service. Occasionally we receive extra funding which enables us to offer full or part payment towards lesson fees for other students.

If a student does not own an instrument, this is not a barrier to learning. Our school has a wide range of instruments which our students can use at break and lunch times to practice on in the music block. Sometimes the school is able to loan instruments to a child to take home.

Instrumental students can access Saturday music centre clubs run by Hertfordshire Music Service, if they wish, but need to apply through the HMS website <https://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/hertfordshire-music-service.aspx>

Our Choir runs during form time once a week on Tuesdays. Choir is open to all years and is free to attend.

Co-curricular

There are a range of co-curricular clubs which are open to all years. We have guitar club, percussion club and violin club. Some clubs run after school and some clubs run during lunch time.

Rehearsal Spaces

We have five practice rooms in the music block and two classrooms. All rooms are available for students to practice in at break and lunch times. Some students also come and practice early in the morning before form time.

Part C: Musical Events

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.

There is a wide range of performing opportunities for our instrumental students. There is a live music performance in assemblies every day. Our instrumental students also perform in other events such as Open Evening, Awards Evening and Transition Evening. There is a music department concert every term for solo performers and ensembles. Students in all years are invited to participate in our concerts and assembly performances. Parents/carers are invited to our concerts. Tickets are sold via ParentPay and are £3.00 per person. Concert tickets are open to all students and parents/carers. Students get free admission to concerts.

We run a variety of trips throughout the year. We regularly take students to the GCSE Bright Sparks concert with the London Philharmonic Orchestra at the Royal Festival Hall. We also take students to the Hertfordshire Music Service GCSE concert. We also take our younger students on a trip to a musical in London's West End. We hold a yearly school production. This academic year we are running High School Musical which is open to all years to participate. Some music trips are full or part subsidised by the school. Students who are eligible for student premium funding or free school meals,

can have trips fully subsidised. Students who are eligible for a free school meal will receive a free packed lunch to take on any trips.

Instrumental students are encouraged to take part in music days run by Hertfordshire Music Service. For example, some of our percussion students participated in the Wind Band and Percussion Day in May 2024, with Hertfordshire Music Service.

For musical performances, concerts and shows in and out of schools, include how students get involved and from which year groups, whether students are participating or are members of the audience.

Our choir is involved in a primary school singing project with Hertfordshire Music Service. Our choir will join local primary school choirs in a massed choir event at Haileybury Turnford in June.

We are planning for our choir to take part in the Royal Albert Hall gala in March 2025 run by Hertfordshire Music Service, performing as part of a massed choir performance.

The choir sometimes takes part in community performances, for example performing at a local care home.

In the future

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

Our music department continues to expand the range of instruments and the musical opportunities available to all of our students. We are building up our partnership with Hertfordshire Music Service, seeking new opportunities for our students and our community.

Further information

Teachers from the music department also do outreach work in our local primary schools, delivering high quality classroom music tuition on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

Our school partners with Hertfordshire Music Service in a variety of other ways, such as a joint primary school singing project.

Our school is hoping to partner with Haileybury and Hertfordshire Music Service in a joint primary schools' strings project. This will see Haileybury string teachers and Haileybury Turnford music teachers regularly providing teaching and support to our local primary schools, which will culminate in a final concert in June 2025, alongside our own violin groups.

Hertfordshire Music Service link

<https://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/hertfordshire-music-service.aspx>

The Department for Education publishes a [guide for parents and young people](#) on how they can get involved in music in and out of school, and where they can go to for support beyond the school.