



## Music development plan summary: KGA Brune Park Overview

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Name of the school music lead	Mrs Kathy Davies
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mr Steve Stannard
Name of local music hub	Hampshire Music Service

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 KGA Brune Park, the curriculum offers music at KS3 for 1 hour each week and 3 hours a week for KS4 students. Our KS3 curriculum is informed by the [model music curriculum](#) (March 2021) in terms of opportunities offered to the students and the content of the curriculum. The curriculum is also informed by the requirements of the GCSE Specification to ensure that all students have the foundation skills needed at KS4 should they wish to take the subject into KS4.

In class, students are given the opportunity to take part in ensemble singing and instrumental ensembles, using tuned and untuned percussion instruments, guitar, ukulele and keyboard. The students who are taking instrumental lessons will be able to use these skills in class also. For instrumental lessons we work in partnership with the Hampshire Music Service, our local music hub.

At KS4 we offer GCSE Music using the Eduqas specification. Those students taking instrumental lessons are offered the opportunity to take graded exams, either with ABRSM or RockSchool, depending on the instrument. These lessons are subsidised by the school and for Free School Meal and LAC students, the lessons are fully subsidised.

## Part B: Extra-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.

The Co-Curricular music tuition currently offered is in partnership with the Hampshire Music Hub and we offer guitar, vocals, piano, drums violin and cello. Lessons are subsidised by the school and the fees are currently £85.00 per term. We guarantee 30 lessons throughout the year although this is often exceeded. Free school meal students' lessons are fully subsidised as are lessons for LAC students.

We loan instruments to students where we can, and these are available until the student leaves the school. Students have space for supervised rehearsal before school and during lunchtimes where staffing allows. We offer 2 medium size practice rooms which can accommodate a small band and two smaller practice rooms which can accommodate up to two people. By prior arrangement, the two main classrooms can be booked for rehearsals.

Outside of the classroom, students are encouraged to form their own bands and to improve the skills learned in the classroom. Rehearsal space as detailed above is available, and we run a keyboard club and a KS3 music club where students can experiment with instruments of their choice under staff supervision.

In addition to this, we support our SEND students by offering bespoke music experiences for one hour per week which is run by a music specialist. This is by recommendation from our SEND team and offered to those students who we feel would receive maximum benefit from this time.

## 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.

At KGA Brune Park we put on one big musical at the end of every year which is open to all. Auditions take place during the Autumn term and the show towards the end of the Summer time. Rehearsals are run after school throughout the Spring and Summer term. Other smaller events also take place during the year: playing in assemblies and lunchtime concerts for example. These opportunities are generally offered to the KS4 students and those who are taking instrumental lessons.

Our local Music hub, Hampshire Music Service, also offers a variety of musical events that are open to the students. Details of these can be found on the [HMS website](#).

Young Voices is a local choir run by our vocal coach and is open to anyone who enjoys singing. Details can be obtained from the Music Department.

## In the future

We are aiming to start our own school 'Young Voices' choir which will be open to KS3 students. We are also aiming to have more small 'sharing' opportunities for those students who are taking instrumental lessons (one per term) where students of any standard can perform and parents can come and see their child's progress in the instrumental lessons.