

Music development plan summary: Stifford Clays Primary School

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-27
Date this summary was published	22/09/2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2027
Name of the school music lead	Miss Tulang
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs Summerhayes
Name of local music hub	Thurrock
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	iRock

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.

All children have a weekly whole class lesson based on Charanga Music Scheme. The curriculum is based on the national plan for music education and the model music curriculum. A broad range of music is taught covering a diverse range of genres and cultures. Music from different time periods and from around the world is evenly balanced throughout the curriculum. Music technology is utilised in our curriculum where possible.

The Y5 children have whole class ensemble lessons for a term. This enables children who would not otherwise have the opportunity to learn an instrument through regular weekly lessons to gain the basic skills at beginner level. 1 Our music curriculum develops our children's skills through singing, listening, composing and performing.

Weekly whole class lessons are 45 minutes long. Lessons take into consideration children with SEND. Accessible materials and instruments are provided.

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.

Music Tuition

In addition to the weekly whole class music lessons, there are optional instrumental lessons in piano, drum kit, violin and guitar. These lessons are offered on a one-to-one, paired or small group basis. Our tutors are currently provided by Thurrock Music Hub. Parents and carers pay for these lessons. There are children with subsidies on the fees for these lessons. Instruments are loaned to the school from Thurrock Music Hub and loaned directly to the parents. Our instrumental tutors encourage the children to join ensembles at Thurrock's Saturday Music Centre.

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.

There are many performance opportunities:

Singing assemblies

TrailBlazer Royal Opera House modules eg. Carmen

William Edwards School musical event

iRock

Choir afterschool club

In the future

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

- Offer provision for subsidies to instrumental lesson fees in 2026-27

Further information (optional)

Use this space to provide any further information about your school's music development plan, including links to your local music hub partners, other local music education organisations and contacts.

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.

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.

If your school is part of a multi-academy trust with a trust-wide music development plan, you may also want to include a link to any published information on this plan.