



Music Development Plan

Academic Year: 2025-2026

School overview

Detail	Data
School name	Delph Primary School
Number of pupils in school	205 (+15 in Pre-School)
Academic year that this plan covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date on which it will next be reviewed	September 2026
School Music Lead / Coordinator	A Downey
School Leadership Member with responsibility for Music	R Swaby
Name of local Music Hub	GMB and D Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	Oldham Music Centre

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.

- Delph Primary School follows the Kapow Music Scheme of Work (SOW) from KS1 to KS2. The scheme is progressive and allows the children to develop their knowledge and skills, over time.
- Our EYFS children can access the Kapow SOW to enhance their musical experiences, but they predominantly use the Early Learning Goals (ELGs) to plan both adult and child-led experiences.
- Class Teachers take responsibility for the teaching of the music curriculum. The Music Lead also teaches Music across school, where the timetable permits.
- The music curriculum is taught for up to 45 minutes per week. Where further time is needed for a unit of work, teachers may use a larger block across a fortnight i.e. 1 x afternoon timetabled.
- Our PTA have recently helped to fund the addition of a class set of glockenspiels which are used across school as part of our curriculum offer.
- The school has been awarded the 'School Music Mark' as recognition for our contributions to the music curriculum and wider curriculum.

Part B: Co-curriculum Provision

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.

- Delph Primary School has a choir attended by Y4-6 children. This is led by the Music Lead who is a music specialist. Currently 58 pupils attend our choir.
- Delph Primary School offers tuition with the support of Oldham Music Centre for:
 - Brass (29 pupils)
 - Violin / Cello (4 pupils)
 - Percussion & drumming (9 pupils)
 - Singing / voice tuition (5 pupils)
- Delph has a Brass Band (25 pupils), led by a teacher from the Music Centre with weekly rehearsals. The band includes cornets, tenor horns, French horns, baritones and a drummer.
- For some music groups, the children are entered into the reciprocal external exams e.g. LAMDA.
- For children who are entitled to Pupil Premium Funds, school look to support families with music tuition, where needed.

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.

- Our musicians including the school choir, have the opportunity to play in various assemblies and events across the school year.
- Singing is a core part of our daily assemblies / Collective Worship.
- All children from YR-Y6 attend a weekly singing assembly, led by staff (30 minutes).
- We host an annual Coffee and Cake Music Morning where our musicians perform for their families.
- We host an annual Christmas Carol Concert where our musicians perform.
- Our Brass Band and choir take part in an annual Christmas performance in the village of Delph.
- We enter at least one of our music groups in the LA annual Music Festival. In the summer of 2025, our Brass Band was awarded the Martin Heap Trophy for 'Outstanding Performance Given by a Brass Band'.
- We choose one of our music groups to perform in the Dovestone Learning Partnership annual Music Festival (2024 violins / 2025 musical theatre).
- In the Spring of 2026, our school choir will be taking part in Young Voices and performing alongside other choirs at the Coop Live Arena.
- Following successful auditions, several of our pupils have performed solo singing parts alongside a live orchestra as part of the LA Christmas showing of the film, 'The Snowman'.
- Our EYFS children perform annually in their Christmas Nativity.
- Our KS1 children perform annually in their Christmas Nativity.
- Our KS2 children perform annually in their end of year show (recent performances include: The Amazing Adventures of Super Stan and Sir David Hattenscarf and the Wonders of the World).

In the Future

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

- We are working to embed our revised Music Scheme of Work which was introduced in 2024-25 to ensure accurate progression and development of core skills, across each key stage.
- We will continue to ensure relevant CPD for staff so that they can teach the music curriculum (in-house and external).
- We will continue to look at opportunities where we can showcase our musical talents and allow the pupils opportunities to perform in different contexts.
- We will continue to grow our musical 'offer' in line with current demand.

Further Information

- Delph Primary School has strong links with Oldham Music Centre as well as community musical groups such as youth bands (Delph / Dobcross) and amateur dramatic associations.
- We continue to strengthen these links and regularly signpost children to musical opportunities outside of school.
- The school works in partnership with LA Music Teachers to help support pupils who have a particular talent, with an application to a specialist secondary school i.e. Chetham's School of Music, Manchester.