



# Music development plan summary: Bury and Whitefield Jewish Primary School

## Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
Date this summary was published	September 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Miss E Gordon
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Mrs M Kobak
Name of local music hub	Greater Manchester Music Hub. Bolton is the lead service in the Hub. Our local music service is Bury.
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

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.

Bury and Whitefield Jewish Primary School provides weekly music lessons led by class teachers to engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians. Our curriculum is informed by the model music curriculum and the National Curriculum; it has also been tailored to meet the needs of our children. It focuses on increasing self-confidence, creativity, and a sense of achievement. As pupils progress, they are encouraged to critically engage with music, enabling them to compose and listen discerningly to a variety of musical genres. We ensure that we incorporate practical composition tasks to encourage creative expression and experimentation and carry out regular assessments to track individual progress and provide targeted support where needed. For more detail of our music curriculum visit <https://bwjps.org.uk/music/>



## **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.

At Bury and Whitefield Jewish Primary School, children have the opportunity to learn various instruments such as the glockenspiel, unturned percussion and recorder and participate in choir and whole school singing sessions. Weekly singing assemblies are carried out, which incorporate a variety of genres and styles. Additionally, families have been given the opportunity for their child to have one-to-one or small group private music tuition to learn keyboard and various woodwind instruments to enhance their musical skills beyond the classroom. These are chargeable (with the exception of Pupil Premium children). Choir is also to be offered, later in the school term, as an after-school club.

We also offer opportunities for students to collaborate on musical projects and performances to foster teamwork and ensemble skills. These include a yearly Chanukah concert and assemblies, alongside external opportunities of Beacon music festivals and choir performances.

## **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.

Bury and Whitefield Jewish Primary School organises yearly musical showcases, which incorporates all children from EYFS upwards and allows any child who plays a musical instrument to showcase their progress. Additionally, we have a yearly Chanukah concert – again, with all pupils – which is centred around singing and performing. These events are free for all children to participate in. Our weekly singing assemblies aid children's confidence to participate in these.

Outside of school, our KS2 children participate in local events like Beacon music festivals and are often invited to sing at local supermarkets during Chanukah time. The school also invites musicians to perform during assemblies to inspire students and expose them to live music experiences and aims to incorporate the arts into school trips.

Children who take part in additional music lessons outside of school are welcome – and encouraged – to showcase these skills to their class or the whole school.



## In the future

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

Bury and Whitefield Jewish Primary School plans to continue participating in local music festivals next year, providing students with the chance to perform at a community level and further showcase their musical abilities. Our aim is to be able to provide similar experiences and opportunities for our younger children.

We also plan to develop a school-wide music appreciation programme to educate students about different music genres, artists, and historical contexts.

Our final aim for the future is to make pupils more aware of the various musical opportunities and qualifications outside of school.

## Further information (optional)

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

Our local music hub, Bury Music Service, has a local plan for music education in place which may contain some useful information for you. You can find more information from Bury Music Service at <https://burymusic.co.uk/>