

## **EPHS Music Development Plan**

### **Overview**

Academic year that this summary covers	2025-2026
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Name of the school music lead	Mr M Gordon
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music	Mr M Bird
Name of local music hub	MAPAS

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 Ellesmere Park High School, students study music for one hour every other week in Key Stage 3 within the performing arts lesson.

Students who choose music as an option (BTEC Tech Award in Music Practice) will study music for five hours per fortnight.

Our curriculum is informed by the National Curriculum for Music.

Students are introduced to a variety of genres of music and begin to develop their listening, performing and composing skills in Years 7, 8 & 9. Students may have the opportunity to learn to play and develop on band instruments such as keyboard, bass guitar, guitar, drums and vocals. Students also develop their composition skills using music technology.

Ellesmere Park High School works closely with MAPAS (local music hub) on co-curricular music. We also have strong working partnerships with the other secondary schools in the MAT, working together on curriculum planning, delivery and assessment.

Students have the opportunity to study music in Key Stage 4 through the BTEC Tech Award in Music Practice.

### **Part B: Extra Curricular Music**

**This is about opportunities for students 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 Ellesmere Park High School, students have the opportunity to receive free instrumental lessons on drums, guitar, bass guitar and vocals. Our provider for instrumental lessons is MAPAS (local music hub).

Students can take part in a KS3 or KS4 rock band club.

### **Part C: Musical events and performances**

**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.**

Students have the opportunity to take part in the Christmas Show and the Summer Show each year. Each show features solo and ensemble performances from students in Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4. The shows are free to students, parents and carers. Students also have the opportunity to take part in the 'Battle of the Bands' competition organised by MAPAS.

Each year, Year 9 and Year 10 students are invited on a Performing Arts Trip to London. Students watch a West End musical as part of this experience.

### **In the Future**

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

We hope to be able to increase the opportunities for students to experience live performances. In addition to this, we hope to strengthen our links with local colleges and universities.