

Music development plan: Simon Langton Grammar School for Boys

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025/2026
Date this summary was published	14 th July 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	20 th July 2026
Name of the school music lead	Mrs. Emily Renshaw-Kidd
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	N/A
Name of local music hub	Kent Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

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.

For information on our KS3, GCSE and A Level music curriculum provision please see link to school website: <https://thelangton.org.uk/curriculum/music/>

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.

For extra-curricular opportunities, please see the website:
<https://thelangton.org.uk/about/music-at-the-langton/> Concert Calendar and Extra-curricular club documents attached to website.

We also have an Inter-House Music Competition involving Years 7-10.

For instrumental lesson provision please see website:
<https://thelangton.org.uk/curriculum/music/> Funding for instrumental tuition is available for students eligible for Pupil Premium.

We also encourage students to get involved in music community projects and research to develop their altruism. Please see website: <https://thelangton.org.uk/about/music-at-the-langton/> Music and Health

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 students regularly perform in assemblies, whole school events such as our Christmas Carol Service and Commemoration in Canterbury Cathedral, Sports Fest, Cultural Diversity Day and we have an extremely busy and varied concert calendar. We have an ongoing collaboration with Canterbury Christ Church University which provides our Record Label composers and musicians with the opportunity to record their original material in a professional setting. We also organise trips to see live music including opera, musical theatre, classical concerts and Jazz. We invite our alumni, who have become professional musicians, into the school to give workshops and concerts. Our annual Chamber Choir tour is always a massive success and involves students from year 7-13. All the students get on brilliantly and work as a wonderful team to produce music of an extremely high quality. Our SATB Chamber Choir recently sang choral evening in Canterbury Cathedral to great acclaim. They were also invited to sing as a guest choir at the recent Canterbury Cathedral Big Sing in collaboration with Kent Music. Last year, we went on a music tour to Germany, with student musicians from years 7-12. Concerts and trips are all charged, but many of our students benefit from funding through Pupil Premium as we believe that no one should be excluded from these extra-curricular opportunities through financial hardship. This year our musical will be My Fair Lady by Frederick Loewe.

In the future

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

Further information (optional)

We plan to continue our passion for teaching and sharing the power of music with our students and our community. We will continue to offer high-class academic curriculum music lessons, whilst striving for the best quality and diverse extracurricular provision. We will continue to encourage and prepare students for further music studies careers in music, seeing their value and the positive impact they can make through utilising their musical talent. We will continue to develop musical links with the schools in our community new Canterbury School's Trust and plan for joint musical ventures, whilst developing our community outreach projects.