Music development plan summary: Roman Way Academy

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2026-2027
Date this summary was published	Sept 2026
Date this summary will be reviewed	Sept 2027
Name of the school music lead	Miss Vicky Smithers
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Miss Vicky Smithers
Name of local music hub	Herts Music Service
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, extra-curricular provision and musical performances – 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.

To read in more detail about the provision music at Roman Way Academy, please visit our music curriculum page: Music at Roman Way

Music is taught in the music room every week and is informed by the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (Expressive Arts), the National Curriculum for Music and suggested approaches of the Model Music Curriculum (singing, listening, composing, performance/instrumental performance). Lessons are a minimum of 40 minutes. Teaching is supported by specialist planning, and the GetSet4Music curriculum scheme of work. This musical learning is further supplemented by weekly a singing assembly for KS1 and KS2, lasting 20 minutes.

In the summer term of 2025, we held a music/D&T activity day where children designed and made their own musical instruments and used these as percussion to

accompany recorded music. Some children composed their own music. This will be repeated every two years (next event in Summer 2027).

Part B: Extracurricular 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 Roman Way Academy, we have a thriving choir which is free and accessible to Year 2 upwards.

Part C: Musical 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.

Children will have the opportunity to perform songs and ensembles this academic year.

Please see below for a list of those opportunities:

- Christmas plays
- Christmas concert including recording for Royston Radio

In the future

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

In future years, our Music Development Plan aims to achieve the following:

- Musician/s to be invited into school for Aspirations Week 2027
- Further develop performance opportunities for our young musicians throughout the school year – performing during a celebration or singing assembly, for example
- Link with King James Academy for future concerts within the wider community