

Music development plan summary: Bonus Pastor Catholic College

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2025 - 2026
Date this summary was published	June 2026
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Name of the school music lead	Nathaniel Coke
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	Veronica Clarke
Name of local music hub	Lewisham Music
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	N/A

Part A: Curriculum music

Our school is informed by the model music curriculum.

At KS3 level, pupils have the opportunities to perform and compose music during lesson time. Pupils regularly perform both individually and as an ensemble on a variety of instruments including keyboards, guitars, strings, woodwind, percussion, brass, as well as the voice.

Pupils have the opportunity to compose music both on their own instrument and through the use of computers and technology. In Year 7, pupils perform in a group or ensemble for both African Drumming and East Asian music. In Year 8, pupils learn to compose pieces of music in the styles of Western Classical, Reggae and Jazz and Blues. In Year 9, pupils learn how to perform and compose music related to Disco, Music for Film and Salsa.

At KS4 level, the music curriculum is more focused to encourage more independent performing and composing music. Pupils are taught and encouraged to perform and compose music from a wide range of music that includes music from the concerto, world music, film music and various popular styles.

Pupils can be awarded a GCSE qualification at the end of KS4.

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.

We offer instrumental tuition for all pupils on the following instruments:

- Piano / Keyboard
- Guitar / Bass Guitar
- Drum Kit
- Singing
- Violin
- Steel Pan

We charge £175 per term for 10 lessons, once a week on their chosen instrument. Parents or carers whose children are eligible for Pupil Premium or Free School Meals may have a portion of the regular fees subsidised. These can be both one-to-one or group tuition.

We currently run the following ensembles:

- KS3/KS4 choir
- Steel Pan Club
- Music Production Club

Every year, we put on a school production to which we run a band which is student-led. Pupils have the ability to rehearse in our school practice rooms outside of lessons to practice.

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.

Throughout the year we organise various performances and musical events to showcase the talent at our school. These include:

- Delivering ensemble and solo performances during the annual Christmas Concert.
- Providing musical accompaniment and liturgical support for key school services, including Christmas and Easter.

- Serving as the core musical component for our annual stage production
- Representing the school by participating in external performance opportunities at local partner schools.
- Providing music for major celebratory events, including the annual school prize-giving and trust-wide award ceremonies.

In the future

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

We currently share our extracurricular timetable on the student intranet and on noticeboards in each building. Moving forward, we are planning to focus on a few key areas for our music program:

- Boost student participation in both extracurricular music activities and music lessons.
- Work closer with the SBCAT and our local music hub to create more performance opportunities.
- Expand our music technology and production program to reach more students.
- Give students more chances to experience music outside of school, such as going to concerts and visiting recording studios.

Further information (optional)

Use this space to provide any further information about your school's music development plan, including links to your local music hub partners, other local music education organisations and contacts.

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

Your local [music hub](#) should also have a local plan for music education in place from September 2024 that should include useful information.

If your school is part of a multi-academy trust with a trust-wide music development plan, you may also want to include a link to any published information on this plan.