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.

<u>Detail</u>	<u>Information</u>
Academic year that this summary	2025-2026
covers	
Date this summary was published	December 2025
Date this summary will be reviewed	September 2026
Name of the school music lead	Lucy Coombs/ Martha Baylis
Name of local music hub	Hampshire music hub
Name of other music education	Dancer Music: £78 per term (12
organisations	Weeks)

Part A: Music Curriculum

Our curriculum is informed by the National curriculum, Hampshire Music hub and the model music curriculum. A copy of our most up-to-date curriculum can be found on our website using the following link:

https://www.talaverajunior.co.uk/learning/foundation-subjects?stage=Stage

At Talavera, we understand the importance of a varied musical curriculum in providing cultural capital for our pupils. As such, by the end of their time with us, children will be able to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control. They will develop an understanding of musical composition, by organising and manipulating ideas within musical structures and reproducing sounds from aural memory. Children will have the opportunity to play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression. They will develop their ability to compose music for a range of purposes using the dimensions of music; use and understand staff and other musical notations; appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians; and develop an understanding of the history of music.

Music is taught on a weekly basis throughout the year with teachers being given the opportunity to block the sessions if they feel more appropriate for the unit of work. Year 4 children are taught by an external music teacher provided by Hampshire County Council through their Listen2Me program. This bought in expertise enables our children to have access to both specialist teachers and a wider range of instruments.

Part B: Extra - curricular music

Children at Talavera have many opportunities to practise music outside of the classroom. These can be joined by pupils through Arbor every half term and they run in 10-week blocks. Guitar, drum and keyboards lessons are provided by an external agency and have an additional cost. Choir is run by a school teacher and once again runs in a 10-week block.

- Guitar, drums or keyboard lessons which include grading of children (£78 per term)
- Choir (£1.75 per session)



To make progress outside of lesson time, children can attend the following:

- Families can hire instruments from £26 to £36 per term, at: https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hampshiremusic/instrumenthire
- Children can join various ensembles through Hampshire Music service, at: https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hampshiremusic/ensembles/areaensembles
- Children can practise ensembles in school in small groups during break or lunch time in classrooms.

Part C: Musical experiences

Exposing our children to a wide range of music experiences is important at Talavera. It enables children to gain appreciation of different genres. All events and musical performances are free and open to all students.

We organise various events to enable this, including but not limited to:

- Weekly, children attend music assemblies where they learn the key components to singing: breathing techniques, posture, diction, rhythm and melody. They will also explore singing in parts, unison and harmonies. This gives our children the opportunity to be exposed to new music. Every assembly is accompanied by music across the ages which enables children to gain an appreciation of different genres. This rotates between being class based (led by the class teacher) and as part of collective assembly (led by the choir lead).
- Children attend whole school events (bi annually) where they perform in front of family and friends.
- Talavera's Got Talent allows children to showcase their musical talent.
- Talavera's Music Showcase allows children to demonstrate musical ability.
- Year 4 children who have learnt through L2Me music perform to their peers and Year 3 children

In the future

We are continuously monitoring our music provision and teaching. Our focuses for this academic year are:

- Ensuring 80% of children are assessed as expected in Music. This will be monitored at the end of every term.
- Ensuring teaching is of an outstanding value which is monitored through lesson observations and continued CPD for staff.
- Continuous promotion of music in the school through various music events.
- Embedding language and children's understanding of the dimensions of music.

An in-depth explanation of our future plans is available on request - please contact the school for further information.