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Curriculum Support for School Staff



a) FREE Online CPD offer with Being Musical

All primary practitioners within TBMH schools are invited to join Being Musical's online sessions in this academic year at no cost if booked early. Sessions are online, live, fun and highly interactive. Book [HERE](#)

- Musical Ways Into Teaching Staff Notation 18:00 - 19:30 Wednesday 12 November
- Maximising the Impact of Classroom Helpers 18:00 - 19:30 Saturday 22 November 10:00 - 11:30
- Learning Behaviours in Whole Class Teaching 18:00 - 19:30 Monday 12 January
- Teaching 3-5 Year Olds Singing & Musicianship 18:00 - 19:30 Monday 2 February
- Ways Into Teaching Children Part-Singing 18:00 - 19:30 Tuesday 10 February
- Planning for Top Score Musical Teaching 18:00 - 19:30 Wednesday 13 May

The first 20 bookings for each session will be FREE to Tri-borough Music Hub schools using the code TBMHVIP (maximum of 2 bookings per organisation).





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b) ABRSM Voices Days in November

These dynamic training days will equip you with practical strategies to upskill generalist and specialist teachers, build confidence in classroom music teaching and choral leadership, and empower your teams to take the first steps in leading singing and teaching music with impact.

All training will be led by the exceptional ABRSM Voices Consultants, Jenny Trattles and Charles Béquignon-MacDougall.

London - ABRSM Office, 10am-4pm with lunch included

Friday 14 November

- Choral Leadership Level 1

Friday 28 November

- Classroom Teacher to Music Lead Level 1

They all cost just £60.00 and are accredited by CPD UK. Level 2 and 3 courses are available in Spring and Summer Term too. Booking all three levels will give you a £30 discount meaning you'll pay £150.00 for three full days of accredited CPD.

To find out more, place bookings and discover all training dates this school year, please visit ABRSM's Teacher Hub. Alternatively feel free to get in touch with Sam Wyne at swyne@abrs m.ac.uk.





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c) Classroom Percussion YouTube #Shorts with Inspire Works

This new resource was launched at the London West Music Hub CPD on 2nd Oct at the London Coliseum. The resource empowers teachers to bring classroom percussion to life and is freely available to all schools via the [Inspire-Works YouTube channel](#).

This playlist is a concise, practical video collection showing classroom-friendly percussion ideas, rehearsal techniques and rhythmic starters. Each Short (under 3 minutes) gives teachers a quick snapshot of how to introduce, model and scaffold classroom percussion in everyday lessons—whether creating music inspired by different cultures around the world or creating musical effects for programme music or storytelling.

The playlist is publicly available on the [Inspire-Works YouTube channel](#) (youtube.com/inspireworksUK) free of charge. Schools and hubs are invited to reuse, adapt and share the content under a Creative Commons (non-commercial) licence (full licence terms to be published).

Explore the playlist [HERE](#).





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d) Universal School Support Documents

The LWMH Has prepared the following FREE support documents, all available [HERE](#).

1. Music Curriculum Self-Evaluation Tool - [HERE](#)

- Answer the prompt questions and you will be able to get a clearer picture of where your schools may sit within a framework of Silver/Gold/Platinum which tallies with the Artsmark framework.
- A free interactive EYFS self-assessment tool is also available – click [HERE](#)

2. Creating your own School/Setting Music Policy - [HERE](#)

- Answer the prompt questions and you will be able to present a summarised description about how music is delivered in your school

3. Writing a School Music Development Plan - [HERE](#)

- This will help you shape your own SMDP to reflect your curriculum offer

4. Model Music Curriculum Overview/Summary - [HERE](#)

- This summarises how the MMC's approach might support your curriculum design

5. Ofsted handbook music curriculum guidance for schools (2024 Update) - [HERE](#)

- This summarises key aspects of the Education Inspection Framework, with suggested questions for schools/settings to consider in reference to a quality music education provision



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e) New ISM Frameworks for Curriculum, Pedagogy, and Assessment

Designed to support the delivery of music education in primary and secondary schools, these frameworks will help you plan and assess musical learning in your classroom. They can be used in a number of ways: for individual lessons, for medium-term planning, for long-term planning and supporting and evidencing children's musical learning and development over time. They are constructed upon sound research-based principles and evidence into effective teaching, learning and assessment in music.

- [Primary curriculum booklet](#)
- [Primary curriculum wallchart](#)



f) London West Music Hub updates and e-newsletter

The first LWMH digital newsletter went out on Friday 17th Oct: [London West Music Hub E-Newsletter - Autumn 2025](#)

This is how our LWMH partners, and the music services, will communicate what is happening and how young people, schools, the workforce, and families can get involved and access what is happening. Please register [HERE](#) so we can add you to the new database and help us build up a new mailing-list network. You can also follow us on socials.

Instagram: [HERE](#)

Flickr: [HERE](#)





Instrumental & Vocal Lessons & Ensembles/Choirs



a) 2025-26 TBMH after school classes at the Lyric Theatre

Now more than ever, we are looking to recruit young musicians to our ensembles, choirs and classes. Pupils who join a Tri-borough Music Hub ensemble or choir can expect to:

- ✓ Meet new friends and perform alongside other incredible young musicians
- ✓ Perform in a variety of exciting events, including world class venues
- ✓ Be taught by and perform alongside professional tutors
- ✓ Develop confidence as a musician and performer
- ✓ Make electronic beats and grooves

HERE is a link to a digital booklet with information on all our out of school activities. If at all possible, please forward this on to your pupils digitally. HERE is a one-page poster with QR code which could be printed and displayed in your school, and HERE is a link to the same information on our website. Remissions and sibling discounts are available for all classes. New students welcome at any point in the year.





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a) Instrumental Playing Days

Our Instrumental Playing Days (KS2-3) are relaxed ensemble playing days for early-stage to Grade 5 musicians. Our Playing Days are perfect for anyone having individual or small group lessons who would like to be part of an exciting day of musicking with a wider group of young musicians. The playing days promise to be a social, challenging and fun day supported by professional musicians from Tri-borough Music Hub, the Royal Albert Hall and the Royal College of Music. Both dates are happening at Kensington Town Hall, day time (all within school hours) and you can register an expression of interest for your school now [HERE](#)

- **Tues 10th Feb:** Strings and Acoustic Guitars Playing Day
- **Weds 11th Feb:** Wind, Brass and Percussion, electric Guitars and Bass Playing Day

b) Applications Open for Infant Voices Festival!

Applications are now open for our Infant Voices Festival, for Primary school groups from years 1-3, at Kensington Town Hall. This year we will be having two events, on Tuesday 30th June and Wednesday 1st July 2026, and schools can apply to take part on either event day.

If you would like to apply, please do so using the following Wufoo Form, or alternatively contact evie.asio@rbkc.gov.uk if you would like further information. Please complete [this online application form](#) by midday on Friday 27th February to register your interest to take part.





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c) Electric Umbrella Academy - Free Programme for Primary and SEND schools

What is The Electric Umbrella Academy?

- Access to high-energy online, interactive assemblies
- All the music resources needed to enjoy our amazing original songs (each half term is based on a different one)
- Resources with real-life stories, videos, and discussion prompts to explore the message behind the music
- Electric Umbrella accreditation in celebration of your school's culture of kindness, equity and creativity

How do schools get involved?

- If you already have a free online School Account with us then just log in and get involved!
- If you haven't yet created a free School Account then do so [HERE](#) to access all the Academy resources, the 2 assemblies for this half term and more School specific materials.

Any questions about The Academy or any of our other Schools' programmes?
Get in touch at schools@electricumbrella.org.uk.





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d) Musical Mondays: Primary and SEND

Working in partnership with Live Music Now, we were thrilled to offer all Primary and SEND schools across the London West Music Hub, the chance to engage with the series of online concerts happening across the academic year. This is all FREE and each performance takes place at 11:15 – 12:00.

- 08.12.25, Musical Monday 2: Zoe Wren
- 09.02.26, Musical Monday 3: Polaris Duo
- 16.03.26, Musical Monday 4: Mishra
- 18.05.26, Musical Monday 5: Ruth Lee
- 29.06.26, Musical Monday 6: Beauty Sleep

Register using this link [HERE](#)



e) Sherry Youth Chamber orchestra opportunities

Here's a summary of Sherry Youth Chamber Orchestra's 2025-2026 programme: There will be 5 projects throughout the year with a steady buildup of skills and experience. This is the chance to play in a high standard chamber orchestra in a very friendly and professional community. We will also invite professors from RCM to coach the orchestra, and every member will get benefits from the masterclasses.

Here's the Sign up

link: <https://www.sherrymusicacademy.org/youth-chamber-orchestra-how-to-sign-up> Here's an example of past work: [Libertango performed by SYCO](#)



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f) FREE Festive Schools' Concert with music charity Future Talent

Bring the magic of live music to your **Years 3 and 4** pupils this winter with an interactive concert at **St Paul's Church, Covent Garden, WC2E 9ED**. On **20th Nov, 2:15-3pm**, the musicians supported by Future Talent (aged 13-17) will take to the stage alongside Harmony's Music Club, specialists in interactive concerts that bring classical music to life for young audiences.

Professional musicians and Future Talent's young musicians will perform side-by-side in a programme that includes music from The Snowman alongside other festive favourites! The concert will be interactive and playful, with pupils having the chance to join in with the story, engage with props made from our free lesson pack, and sing together at the end.

Why bring your school?

- Enrich your curriculum through music and storytelling.
- Show your pupils that music is for everyone by supporting Future Talent's talented young musicians from disadvantaged backgrounds
- No teacher preparation needed - simply turn up and enjoy!

Important information for schools:

- Schools arrange transport and remain responsible for safeguarding.
- Wheelchair accessible.
- Photos will be taken at this event. More info about photography & consent will be sent to those who register interest.
- Register interest via the form: [HERE](#)



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Rehearsal/storage space needed!



We are seeking new rehearsal spaces for our ensembles and choirs. Does your school have a large hall, studio or theatre with good transport links? If yes, we would be interested to hear from you. We are also seeking storage space for our ever-growing instrument stock. A long-term empty classroom would be ideal, again located close to good transport links. We are of course open to negotiating reasonable fees for either of the above, or in-kind arrangements such as use of the instruments or student rehearsal priorities for use of your school space. Please contact Hannah.taylor@rbkc.gov.uk



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