



## Fairlight Glen Independent Special School – Music Statement

Music plays a central and distinctive role in the life of Fairlight Glen. As a school dedicated to supporting young people with complex social, emotional and mental health needs, we recognise the power of music to inspire confidence, reduce barriers to learning, and provide a safe space for creative self-expression. Our commitment to a nurturing, personalised, and interest-led curriculum is reflected strongly in our music offer, which provides pupils with opportunities to develop technical skill, emotional resilience, personal identity and a sense of pride in achievement.

### Our Vision for Music

Our music curriculum is built on the belief that creative education should be accessible, meaningful and empowering for every learner. Music supports self-expression, motivation, connection, and joy in learning. We aim to ensure every young person experiences music as a space where they can express themselves, experience success, build trust and develop teamwork and focus.

### A Personalised and Ambitious Curriculum

Music at Fairlight Glen is shaped around each pupil's strengths, interests and aspirations. Staff plan learning that is personalised, engaging and motivating. Our curriculum includes instrumental tuition in drums, guitar, keyboard and ukulele; music production sessions; performance opportunities and band forming; RSL vocational qualifications; and creative workshops.

### Specialist Facilities and Expertise

Our dedicated music spaces, instruments, and production equipment provide an inspiring environment where pupils can explore sound, composition and performance with confidence. Music is led by experienced specialist staff, ensuring that learning is closely linked to pupils' wellbeing.

### Music and SEMH Support

Music is a powerful tool for supporting emotional regulation, self-expression and resilience. Pupils build communication skills, confidence and emotional awareness through engaging musical activities.

### Enrichment, Engagement and Enjoyment

Music is one of the most popular timetabled activities. Creative and physical enrichment helps pupils develop resilience and build positive relationships with others.

### Progression, Accreditation and Future Pathways

Pupils can access RSL qualifications in music production and performance. Music supports transferable skills including emotional intelligence, problem-solving, teamwork and communication.



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### Inclusion, Accessibility and Equality

Fairlight Glen ensures music education is accessible to all pupils, including those with SEND and SEMH needs. Lessons are adapted so that all learners can succeed.

### Conclusion

Music at Fairlight Glen is a meaningful, transformative experience. Through specialist provision and a nurturing approach, every pupil can explore creativity, build confidence and grow.