



**FUTURE YARD
SCHOOLS**

LIVE MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

DELIVER A RICH CURRICULUM

EMPOWER YOUNG MINDS

INSPIRE FUTURE MUSICIANS

TRAIN TEACHERS

**TURN UP
THE
VOLUME**

THE FUTURE SOUNDS AMAZING

SUMMARY



Turn Up The Volume by Future Yard is a bold, immersive music education programme built around unforgettable live music and curriculum enrichment experiences, supported by a rich, engaging curriculum offer that gives learning depth, structure and long-term impact. Rooted in collaboration, it inspires young people, builds confidence, sparks creativity and gives music real purpose.

We equip schools with high-quality, curriculum-aligned resources, train teachers and provide expert support from Future Yard's musicians and educators to drive a **dynamic, impactful curriculum**, aligned with the needs and opportunities of industry.

Beyond the classroom, we **amplify learning with life-changing live music experiences** such as interactive band days, career-focused school trips, and festivals that celebrate student achievement, creativity and community. Allowing young people to take this journey unlocks potential, ignites passion and raises engagement.

Our standout curriculum and experiences are super-charged by top-tier extra-curricular opportunities, **empowering young people from all backgrounds to exceed expectations**, turn up the volume and shape a brighter future.

WHO ARE FUTURE YARD?

Future Yard is a dynamic music venue and creative hub in Birkenhead, with the aim of using the power of music to create long-lasting change in our area. Our **'Mosh Tots Gigs For Kids'** series for children up to 8, **Band Clubs** for all children 6 and above, and **'New Noise Music Centre'** for children aged 13-17, form our innovative cradle to career pathway for young people. Our aim is to help young people develop a lifelong love of music, through playing, learning the skills to make it happen or simply enjoying music as a key part of their lives. We are supported by Arts Council England as a National Portfolio Organisation for this work, and the wealth of other training programmes aimed at creating pathways into the live music industry such as our live production careers training programme **'Sound Check'** and artist development pathway **'Propeller'**.



FUTURE YARD ARE TRANSFORMING WHAT MUSIC EDUCATION IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS CAN LOOK LIKE.

In 2025-26, 12 schools joined the programme, bringing together classroom learning, live music, and real-world industry experiences. What began as a pilot is already reshaping how pupils engage with music, building confidence, creativity, and a deeper connection to learning.

Built in partnership with schools across Wirral, and supported by Love Music Trust (Hub Lead Organisation for Wirral), the programme connects pupils to a wider local music network and future pathways.

"FUTURE YARD IS AN ORGANISATION FULL OF PASSIONATE PEOPLE, WHO GENUINELY HAVE THE INTERESTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE HEART OF WHAT THEY DO. THEY ARE RELEVANT, LOCAL AND WHAT THEY DO SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO THE COMMUNITY THEY SERVE. WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE FUTURE YARD AS A KEY PARTNER TO DEMONSTRATE WHAT MUSIC HUBS SHOULD BE DOING."

John Barber, Director - Love Music Trust.

PILOT YEAR IMPACT STATS:

12 Primary schools joined our pilot programme

3,500+ Pupils taking part in weekly Future Yard music lessons

16 CPD sessions delivered, alongside ongoing coaching and support

150+ Pupils attending weekly band clubs and instrumental sessions

24 High-energy live band assemblies

64 Interactive, hands-on music workshops

22 Careers-led school trips connecting pupils to the real music industry

This is just the beginning. Together, we're building a new future for primary music education.



WHAT THE PILOT SCHOOLS SAY:

"LEARNING ABOUT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES HAS INSPIRED OUR CHILDREN, HELPING THEM TO FIND WHERE THEIR PASSION FITS IN TO THE WIDER SCHOOL CULTURE, MEANING THAT THEY HAVE REIGNITED THEIR PURPOSE AND NOW ENJOY COMING TO SCHOOL"

"CHILDREN HAVEN'T WANTED TO ENGAGE WITH MUSIC IN THE PAST, BUT WITH FUTURE YARD LESSONS THEY'RE ALL ENTHUSIASTIC, ENGAGED AND THIS LEADS TO THEM LEARNING LOTS"



"FOR STAFF CONFIDENCE, THIS HAS BEEN A REAL GAME-CHANGER. THEY LOVE THE LESSONS AND THE SUPPORT THEY OFFER, AND BUILD CONFIDENCE IN DELIVERING MUSIC LESSONS. EVERY MEMBER OF STAFF HAS SAID WHAT A SUCCESS IT HAS BEEN!"

"MUSIC IS NOW ONE OF THE KEY MOMENTS IN THE WEEK THAT CHILDREN ARE EXCITED FOR AND WANT TO BE INVOLVED IN - THE CHANCE TO GET TOGETHER AS A GROUP AND HAVE A COLLECTIVE ENJOYED EXPERIENCE"

"GOING TO BAND CLUBS HAS BEEN REALLY INFLUENTIAL FOR HOW OUR CHILDREN FEEL AS PEOPLE. THERE HAS BEEN MORE UPTAKE FOR SINGING, AND THEY HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITIES THEY WOULD HAVE NEVER HAD BEFORE."

"OUR CHILDREN ARE MORE ENGAGED, THEY ENJOY THEIR LESSONS AND IT'S GIVEN THEM MORE CURIOSITY - THEY ARE KEEN, WANT TO BE IN BANDS AND GET INVOLVED WITH OPPORTUNITIES"

TURN UP THE VOLUME

Bring **live music, creative learning and real music industry experiences** into the heart of your school.

- **Live band assemblies**
- **Interactive workshops** designed to kick-start a school performance project
- **In-school introduction** + CPD for teachers
- **Opportunities for pupils to perform on stage at Future Yard's brand-new 600-capacity community venue**
- **Ongoing support from Future Yard**, your local community arts organisation
- **Free activities and live music tickets for low-income families**

ACCESS OUR INNOVATIVE, MODERN + EXCITING KS1 + KS2 MUSIC CURRICULUM

A complete set of resources designed to make great music education exciting for pupils and achievable for teachers, including:

Interactive videos • lesson plans • practical activities • worksheets • progression maps • learning journeys • planning + assessment resources • ongoing support

TAKE LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Add an exciting careers-focused school trip to Future Yard, combining live music performances with interactive workshops and giving pupils the chance to experience a working music venue and discover the people, skills and careers behind it. **Advance rate: £10 per pupil.***

JOIN THE PROGRAMME

Annual contribution of £500** to bring high-quality music education, unforgettable live experiences, industry-connected opportunities and a thriving music scene into the heart of school life.

Turn Up The Volume **supercharges music engagement across the school while investing in staff development**, giving teachers the confidence, skills, resources and ongoing support to deliver high-quality music education, backed by Future Yard's musicians and educators.

ALSO INCLUDED

- **Music development plan**
- **Extra games + activities**
- **Additional one-off themed lesson resources**
- **Home learning resources**
- **NPME + National Curriculum support**
- **Social Media content**

BAND CLUBS

We deliver **high-quality Band Clubs during the school day or after school**, giving pupils the chance to experience what it feels like to be in a real band!

We provide all equipment so that pupils can pick up instruments, plug in and start making music together, developing their musical and social skills, confidence and creativity as part of a band.

Every Band Club follows an **exciting progression pathway**, with pupils working towards performances in school and the opportunity to take to the stage at **Future Yard**.



PARENT-FUNDED BAND CLUBS

£32.99 per month for a 45-minute weekly session.

Schools help us make Band Clubs a success by promoting the opportunity to families and working with us to drive strong participation. Schools can also use **Pupil Premium or other funding** to subsidise places and help ensure more pupils can take part.



SCHOOL-FUNDED BAND CLUBS

Schools can also invest directly in **exclusive Band Club packages for their pupils**, with packages shaped around the needs of the school.

We can also deliver **Whole Class Ensemble Tuition (WCET) to schools accessing Band Clubs**, giving a whole class the opportunity to learn instruments and make music together.

School-funded Band Clubs and WCET may be eligible for subsidy through the local Music Hub.

* Advance rate for bookings made before October. Standard rate £12 per pupil. Minimum booking of 75 pupils for an exclusive session.

** A small scaling contribution applies to larger cohorts where additional sessions are required.

CURRICULUM

OUR MUSIC CURRICULUM IS ALL ABOUT DISCOVERY, CREATIVITY AND FINDING YOUR OWN SOUND.

From KS1 to KS2, students dive into singing, playing, composing and performing – building skills while making real connections with music. Through high-energy, hands-on sessions, we spark confidence, fuel creativity and give every young musician the tools to turn it up and make their mark. Cross-curricular content is baked into lessons, ensuring that students are exposed to a rich knowledge base from all areas of the curriculum, harnessing music as a powerful catalyst for learning.

Our curriculum already includes over 80 high-quality, innovative lessons and resources for Key Stages 1 and 2, and it continues to grow, doubling each year to become a fully resourced, comprehensive curriculum.

Join us as a partner in creating a brand new music curriculum that meets your school's needs and redefines the future of music education in primary schools!



KEY CURRICULUM POINTS

- Sing expressively and creatively to build vocal confidence.
- Explore musical dimensions using a variety of instruments.
- Develop listening skills through simple musical games and storytelling.
- Experiment with sound-making musical patterns.
- Perform with confidence, using both vocal and instrumental skills.
- Compose and create music individually and in groups, exploring a range of genres and styles.
- Develop listening skills to identify musical elements and understand structure.
- Experience musical notation and the fundamentals of music theory.
- Refine performance and collaboration through group activities and showcases.



EXTRA CURRICULAR OFFER

Future Yard's music offer **gives young people the tools to make noise and find their sound beyond the classroom.**

Engaging in our exciting, collaborative instrumental lessons and band clubs along with live performance opportunities and home learning resources, students can take advantage of real, hands-on experiences that build confidence, fuel creativity and bring music to life in the classroom, at home, on stage and beyond.

Added value to the curriculum offer:

- **Live Experience Days** - Mosh Tots and New Noise expert musicians and educators deliver engaging and interactive sessions for the whole school, building on the curriculum content and giving students an immersive live music experience.
- **Careers focussed school trip** - students visit Future Yard to be inspired and develop their understanding of music careers through interactive workshops and live music experiences in an authentic grassroots venue.
- **Festival celebration with schools + families** - the grand finale where students perform alongside live bands, celebrating creativity, growth, and achievement. More than just a show, it's an unforgettable gig experience that will inspire and ignite a lifelong love for music.
- **Whole-class instrumental band** - experiences where students develop their instrumental and performance skills within a whole-class ensemble.
- **Social media and marketing content creation** to bolster community engagement.
- **Teacher networking opportunities** creating an ongoing hub of support and sharing of best practice.
- **Discounted tickets to live music events** to drive continued engagement with live music.

BEHIND THE SCENES



MORE ABOUT SKILLS & LEARNING AT FUTURE YARD

Future Yard is more than a venue. We're a thriving community built around music, culture, creativity and opportunity for young people, families and the next generation of artists and music industry professionals.

Alongside Turn Up The Volume, we deliver a range of programmes that support people at every stage of their musical journey, from first experiences in music through to industry pathways and artist development.

MOSH TOTS

Exciting, interactive live shows for little Moshers aged up to 8, and well-behaved parents! Bringing families together to enjoy real live music while exploring different musical styles, sounds and musical elements in a fun, energetic and inclusive environment.

BAND CLUBS + INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

40-minute tutor-led sessions for ages 6+, where young people plug in, make noise and level up their music skills as part of a team. Band Clubs is all about rocking out with your friends, unleashing creativity and finding your sound through playing, creating and performing together, suitable for both complete beginners and more experienced young musicians.

NEW NOISE

A space for young people aged 13-17 to experiment across a range of instruments,

themes and music-making techniques. Exploring the music young people love across a range of genres, New Noise helps young musicians develop confidence, creativity and carve their own musical path.

PROPELLER

Our artist development pathway for talented, emerging artists ready to take things further. Propeller equips artists with the skills to succeed in the modern music industry, supporting young artists on their journey from studio to stage at Future Yard and beyond.

SOUND CHECK

Future Yard's flag-ship live production training programme, opening meaningful pathways into the live events and creative industries. Through hands-on experience in professional live settings, mentoring and industry-led learning, people develop the confidence, technical skills and real-world experience needed to take their next steps into live music and events.

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