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## INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS APPLICATION



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are proud that we are able to continue our offer of peripatetic instrumental lessons for children next year. Sadly, we are not able to subsidise the cost of these sessions but we offer the places 'at cost' which means we do not make a profit from this arrangement.

There are a limited number of spaces available within the groups already established. However, we operate a waiting list so please reply by the deadline if you would wish your child to be considered when a space becomes available. **If your child was already accessing instrumental tuition last year, they will automatically continue unless you make us aware they wish to stop lessons.** If we have enough demand we shall explore offering further provision where it is available.

The details of available sessions are detailed below with an illustration of costs (which must be paid half termly or yearly in advance) **Please note that, due to increased charges, we have had to increase the costs slightly this academic year:**

INSTRUMENT	YEAR GROUP BUBBLE	DAY & TIME OF LESSONS	COST
Violin	Y2 – Y6	Monday PM	£4.50 per session (sessions are 20mins per week)
Guitar	Y1 – Y6	Tuesday or Friday PM	
Trumpet	Y1 – Y6	Wednesday AM	
Euphonium	Y1 – Y6	Wednesday AM	
Clarinet	Y2 – Y6	Friday AM	

Although the lessons take place during the school day, they are not a statutory part of the curriculum. Therefore, children will only be allowed to continue if there are no issues with their behaviour in school. We need to be sure that the children selected represent our school well.

In discussion with the music teachers, we have limited the group size per year group to four children (to maximise the level of tuition they have). The cost also includes the loan of an instrument too for as long as your child receives lessons here. The school cannot subsidise the cost of the sessions. **Therefore, if payments are not made in advance then we regret that your child will not be able to access the lesson and the place will be offered to another child.**

When you have been informed that your child has secured a place, you will be asked to make a payment on School Gateway for each half term in advance. Of course, you can pay for the rest of the year if you would like to but the minimum payment is for half a term at a time. We regret that we cannot offer refunds if a child is poorly/absent or if they change their mind about wanting to attend the lessons. You are required to give as much notice as possible if your child no longer wishes to attend so the place can be offered to somebody else.

This is an amazing opportunity but it will need you to support the children at home. Children make best progress when they are committed and practice at home in addition to the lessons in school.

We are aware that the demand may be far greater than the places offered. Therefore, if you would like a place then you must follow these instructions:

1. Return the slip below by **9.00am on FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025** (do not make payment at this stage).
2. If there is more demand than there are places, we shall draw names out of a hat for each instrumental group and will send you an email/Dojo message confirming your child has a place (as well as the start dates).
3. You will need to make payment for **at least the forthcoming term** on School Gateway in order to secure the place. Your child will then start lessons the following week and shall receive their instrument to take home.
4. You should ensure your child practices at home and brings their instrument each week for their lessons. They are responsible for looking after their instrument as you may be responsible for payment of any damages.
5. To maintain your child's place in their group, you will need to make further payments (unless you have paid for the whole year to begin with) by the end of each half term ready for the term ahead (the admin team will send a reminder).

If you do not hear back, this means your child has not secured a place on this occasion but their name will be added to our waiting list. We will contact you throughout the year if a place becomes available.

If you have any questions then please get in touch with the office.



Mr J. Barry  
Head Teacher

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### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS 24/25

CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to request a place for my child to learn the following instrument:

Guitar [ ] Trumpet [ ] Violin [ ]

Euphonium [ ] Clarinet [ ]

If I secure a place, I agree to make payments for each half term in advance of the lessons. I understand these places are non-refundable and that my child's place is subject to good behaviour in school and payments being made in advance.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_