



26 February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

### **Continuing Music Instrumental Lessons**

I hope that your child has been enjoying their taster sessions on drums, guitar, voice or keyboard. As you know the 8 sessions come to an end at Easter at which point there is the option to continue after the break. It is possible for them to swap to a different instrument if they wish.

From Easter to the end of the school year in July there will be 11 lessons. We are pleased to offer these as paired sessions for a price of £73.10. You can pay for these in a lump sum or across two instalments of £36.55 (due 20 March) followed by £36.55 (due 20 April). If you qualify for financial help please get in touch with me at school to discuss how we can help.

We will continue to provide instruments for students to borrow during their lessons and a space to rehearse. If it is not possible to provide a shared lesson we will be in touch with an alternative option. These paired sessions are only available for the remainder of year 7, from Year 8 onwards lessons become individual.

If you would like to continue your child's lessons, please read the attached terms and conditions then fill out the application form using the link below. The item has been added to your MCAS account where you can make the payment. If you do not wish to continue please ignore the payment item. **Lessons are only booked once payment has been received by the deadline below.**

### **How To Apply**

Fill out this application form by **Friday 20 March**: [Yr7 Instrumental Scheme Continuation 2026](#)

Pay for the lessons (all or first payment) on MCAS by **Friday 20 March**

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school.

Kind Regards,

Mr Gammon

Music Department

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### Terms and Conditions for Yr7 Instrumental Scheme Continuation: 2025-26

*There have been some changes to these T&Cs, please read carefully*

#### **A. Lesson information**

1. Instrumental tuition takes place during the school day, providing 11 lessons over the stated period between April and July.
2. Lessons consist of two students sharing a 15 minute session with their teacher. Instruments will be available for loan during the lesson but not to be taken home unless specific arrangements are made. If we are unable to provide a partner we will contact you with an alternative offer.
3. It is likely that the instrumental lessons will involve your child missing a portion of his/her normal school lessons.
4. Lesson times will be displayed on the Expressive Arts TV Screen in the faculty.
  - 4.1. It is the student's responsibility to check this on a weekly basis to ensure they know their lesson time. Students must **check their time in the morning of the day of their lesson in case there are late changes due to instrumental tutor absence**, etc; these will all be displayed on the screen. If for any reason the screen is not working, a note will be placed on the door where the lesson is normally held.
  - 4.2. If a student misses a lesson due to not checking the screen / seeing the notice left, we cannot offer a refund for the missed time.
5. Students are expected to attend all lessons.
  - 5.1. Parents will be notified by text message if the student misses a lesson. Please ensure your contact details are up to date with the school.
  - 5.2. Refunds will not be given, nor lessons made up, in the event of student absence due to sickness or medical appointments or missing a lesson because the time has not been checked on the TV screen.
  - 5.3. Where a student knows in advance that they will miss a lesson due to a school trip or exam (particularly in the summer term), they should discuss this with their instrumental tutor and Mr. Gammon and **must give at least 48 hours notice**. Wherever possible, an alternative lesson time will be arranged. Refunds will not be given, nor lessons made up, where students fail to do this.
  - 5.4. Lessons missed due to instrumental tutor absence will be made up, and the Music Department will inform the student of the arrangements for this (usually during a "catch-up week" at the end of term).



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## **B. Fees**

1. Fees for this scheme are £73.10 per student and should be paid through MCAS
2. Payment can be made in one lump sum by 20 March or two payments of £36.55 by 20 March and £36.55 by 20 April.
3. We have added the payment item to your MCAS account. If you do not wish to continue lessons please ignore this and it will be removed after the deadline. Please note that both the online form will need to be completed and the fee paid on MCAS for the sessions to go ahead. If you do not want to go ahead with the continuation of these sessions, please do not apply.
4. If you qualify for financial help or would like to discuss payment please contact us at school. There is an option on the form to let us know you would like to discuss this.

## **C. Cancellation of lessons**

Due to the reduced cost of these lessons and the additional funding received from the Elizabeth Groome Music Charity lessons cannot be cancelled or refunded once started. If there is a problem with lessons please contact Mr Gammon in the Music Department at the earliest opportunity so we can try to resolve any issues.

Should you have any further enquiries about peripatetic music lessons, please contact Reception who will be happy to direct your enquiry to the relevant member of staff.