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**RE: Music Lessons Summer Term 2018**

Dear Parent,

I am writing to outline the arrangements for music lessons for next term. Music lessons for the summer term will commence on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** and will run for 12 weeks. There will be lessons on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to replace the lessons due on the bank holiday, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

**For existing users of the music service:**

If your child currently has music lessons they will be automatically included on the new timetable **if you pay for music lessons via WisePay before the start of the summer term**. If your child **will not** be continuing with music lessons in the spring term, please could you let us know by **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.

**For new users of the music service:**

If your child would like to start music lessons, or an additional instrument, please complete the online booking form **and pay for music lessons via WisePay before the start of the summer term**. For new music customers the online booking form can be found [here](#) If we do not have available space we will notify you, refund the money you have paid and place your child's name on a waiting list.

When we have received all the bookings that have been made through Wisepay we will organise the groupings and let you know when the lesson will be each week. Where we are unable to offer you a music lesson in the group size that you have purchased we will let you know and discuss with you if there is another group size or instrument that your child would like to learn.

The musical opportunities for the summer term are as follows:

- **Piano or Keyboard (Ruth Toze)**
- **Guitar (Andrew Crawford & Ruth Toze)**
- **Drums (Simon Hodgkiss)**
- **Brass (Adrian Nuthall, Ruth Toze & Peter Manfield)**
- **Singing (Ruth Toze)**
- **Flute (Ruth Molins)**
- **Clarinet/Flute (Adrian Nuthall)**
- **Violin, Bassoon and Recorder (Ruth Toze)**

We are pleased that Peter Manfield will now be offering brass lessons on a Tuesday between 3.00pm and 5.00pm allowing for more pupils to learn an instrument.



Sadly Ruth Molins is leaving us to pursue her own performance career and so we are currently recruiting to replace her. If your child currently is taught by Ruth and you wish to continue with a lesson we will keep you updated.

Music lessons are open to children from years 2 – 6, although experience has shown that some of the instruments may not be suitable for the younger children in Year 2. We will advise you if this is the case on receipt of your request.

Music lessons are taught in the school's dedicated music room situated to the left of the library and each lesson lasts for 25 minutes. Lesson prices are:

- Individual £168 for the summer term
- Group of two £96 for the summer term
- Group of three £60 for the summer term

The music service is being subsidised by the school to endeavour to limit the costs to parents. We are however in a position to offer further support via a discount to those on income support, which is assessed by those children in receipt of free school meals. Please contact the school if you feel that this may apply to you.

If a lesson is missed due to a teacher being unable to provide the lesson, say for ill health reasons, then they would endeavour to make up the missed lesson at another time or there would be a refund for the missed lesson. If a lesson is missed due to your child being away, eg on a school trip, sports event or due to ill health, and the lesson cannot be re-scheduled, then the money is non-refundable as we still have to honour the commitment with the music teachers.

If you would prefer your child to have their lesson either in a break time or after school, please can you let us know and we will endeavour to do this if possible. Some parents prefer this to minimise the lesson time missed.

I hope you will find this service of benefit to your children.

Yours sincerely,



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