



Malmesbury School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

At Malmesbury School we offer a wide range of peripatetic lessons in music for all our students from Year 7 to Year 11. **Our peripatetic teachers are self employed** and whilst we co-ordinate the dissemination of applications for lessons to the teachers, the school does not directly employ the teachers. **All peripatetic teachers do have to have an up-to-date enhanced disclosure** in order to work in school, and lessons all take place in our five purpose-built practice rooms.

Lessons can be provided for the following instruments:

Piano – on a school piano.

Woodwind - Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone, Bassoon.

Strings - Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass.

Brass - Trumpet, Trombone, Cornet, Horn etc.

Guitar - Acoustic, Electric, Classical, Electric Bass.

Drums – on the school's drum kit.

Singing – in a range of styles from Musical theatre to classical and pop.

In some cases we have several teachers for an individual instrument because demand is so high. In general, **you will need to provide an instrument if your child would like to have lessons**, but we do have a small collection of instruments at school. Some teachers are able to get loan instruments from the county Music Hub if you cannot or do not wish to provide an instrument for your child either at first or in the long term. Lessons **generally cost around £16 for a 30 minute lesson**, but this varies very slightly from teacher to teacher and other lesson lengths are also available. Please note that you will be required to pay for peripatetic lessons at the beginning of each term and **you will need to provide a term's written notice in order to cancel lessons**.

In Years 7 through to 9 we operate a Rota System for our students so that their lesson time changes every two weeks but always on the same day. **These lessons take place during the school day and can be up to 30 minutes long**. In years 10 – 13 teachers try to have a fixed lesson time for students so that they do not miss core lessons, and this may be during lunch, before or after school.

Research has shown that **there is a very positive impact of music lessons on a child's development** and as our students progress through the school, they discover that the resilience, independence and creativity shown through learning to play a musical instrument, is a positive factor in applying for university.

If you would like your child to benefit from having musical instrument lessons at Malmesbury School from September 2020, please fill in the attached form and return to the Music Department either by post at the address above or via e mail to admin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk (for the attention of the Music Department) and we will send you an application for the specific lessons you require. **Please ensure that the attached form is returned to us by FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2020 at the latest.**

Yours sincerely,

Malmesbury School Music Department



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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TUITION: MALMESBURY SCHOOL

Instrument lesson required: _____

Student's name: _____

Home address: _____

Telephone/mobile no.: _____

E mail: _____

Do you currently own an instrument? _____

Previous experience and/or current teacher: _____

Approximate standard or beginner: _____

The student named above is interested in instrumental music tuition through Malmesbury School.
Please tick preferred lesson length: (please note that some teachers do not provide 15 minute lessons)

15 minutes: _____ 20 minutes: _____ 30 minutes: _____

I would like my son/daughter to start instrument lessons. I appreciate I will need to pay the bill at the beginning of each term. I also agree, should I wish to cancel the lessons, that I will provide a term's written notice to the instrument teacher.

Signed: _____ Parent/Guardian

Print name: _____

Please return to Malmesbury School for the attention of the Music Department by **3rd July 2020**
either by post to the address above or via e mail: admin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk

