



7th October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 7 Instrumental Lessons

The West Norfolk Academies Trust has a rich heritage in our schools for Music provision, a heritage that we intend to maintain in the future.

I am delighted to announce that we are able to offer two terms of small group lessons for orchestral instruments (Woodwind, Brass, Strings) **free of charge to year 7 students**, taking the student through to the just after the Easter Break 2022.

There are some simple conditions to accepting an offer of lessons:

1. A school instrument will be provided free of charge for the first two terms for all pupils learning an orchestral instrument. An agreement form will need to be completed and signed before an instrument can be taken home.
2. We do not provide guitars, keyboards and drums, and any pupil starting to learn these instruments should have access to their own instrument to practice on at home.
3. All pupils will be required to commit to lessons until Easter 2022 and would not be permitted to cease tuition before that date.
4. All pupils receiving lessons on an orchestral instrument would be required to play in a school ensemble (free of charge) each week after school once a certain standard is reached.
5. We would hope that the majority of pupils would want to continue learning after the initial period. Pupils will be expected to provide their own instrument after the first two terms. We can advise on instrument rental/purchase, and often provide financial assistance through the Schools Assisted Instruments Purchase Scheme.

Other instruments including **piano, guitar and drums** are also available along with individual lessons on Orchestral Instruments. However I'm afraid that these would be chargeable at the usual rates as detailed in our 'Parent/School Teaching Agreement'. This is attached for your information.

All lessons are 30 minutes long and take place during the school day.

If you would like your son/daughter to start lessons, please complete and return the form accompanying this letter.

We will also have an open meeting on Wednesday 13th October at 4.00 pm, where the teachers will demonstrate the instruments and we will be able to answer any further questions.

Please note that there is a finite number of places available for each instrument - mainly down to available instrument stock. Responses should be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than Wednesday 20th October.

Should you have any questions relating to this please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or via email (j.kemp@stclementshigh.org.uk); I will then endeavour to assist where possible.

Yours faithfully



Joanna Kemp
Head of Music





Year 7 Instrumental Lesson Application Form

Student's name:

Form:

School:

Parents contact email:.....

I wish for my son/daughter to have instrumental lessons

1st choice instrument

2nd choice instrument

****NB: The Year 7 'Free' Instrumental Lesson scheme only applies to Brass, Woodwind, Strings and Orchestral Percussion and is an agreement for two terms – all other instruments would be chargeable at the rates as detailed in our Parent School Teaching Agreement.**

We will always endeavour to offer first choice. But that can depend on availability of hire instruments

I have an instrument/I wish to hire an instrument*

*delete as appropriate. We do not hire guitars, bass guitars, drum kits or keyboards.

Signature Parent/Guardian

Date

If you have any queries please email Miss Kemp at the High School
(j.kemp@stclementshigh.org.uk).



Lesson rates from September 2021

	Full Rate for 11 lessons	Lesson Subsidy from School	Cost to parents	Additional lessons
30 minute individual lesson	£165 per term	£8.88 per student per term	£156.12 per student per term	£15 per lesson
30 minute group lesson	£82.50 per term	£4.44 per student per term	£78.06 per student per term	£7.50 per lesson
30 minute lesson (GCSE music pupils)	£165 per term	£14.25 per student per term	£150.75 per student per term	£15 per lesson
60 minute lesson	£330 per term	£17.75 per term	£312.25 per student per term	£30 per lesson
60 minute lesson (GCSE music pupils)	£330 per term	£28.50 per term	£301.50 per student per term	£30 per lesson

Instrumental Hire from September 2021

Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone	Year 1 of learning	£25 per term	Year 2 onwards	£40 per term but priority given to new starters.
Oboe, Bassoon, French Horn, Tuba	Years 1-3 of learning	£25 per term	Year 4 onwards	£40 per term but priority given to new starters.
String Instruments	By negotiation with teacher whilst not on full size instrument	£20 per term	Full size instrument	Pupils expected to have their own instrument.