



Friday 17th May 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are delighted to announce that we are looking to reintroduce instrumental music lessons here at Hordle in the Autumn term. Please find more information below.

What are you offering for my child currently and what is changing?

At Hordle Primary School we provide the opportunity for children to explore, learn and develop their musical skills and knowledge through regular classroom music lessons.

However, we would also like to reintroduce the opportunity for students to receive instrumental lessons during the school day.

Why should children participate in instrumental lessons?

It is widely documented that there are many benefits to learning to play a musical instrument. As well as developing social skills and self-confidence, learning to play an instrument can also help with concentration, listening and communication and offers children access to a wealth of opportunities and skills that are transferable to other areas of school life.

What instrumental lessons might be available?

We are in the process of exploring options for instrumental lessons which will take place during the school day from September 2024, looking at best options for our school with the space and times we have available.

We are hoping to offer:

- Brass lessons (trumpet and french horn)
- String lessons (guitar and violin)
- Woodwind lessons (flute, clarinet, saxophone)

It should be noted that at present these are not yet confirmed and are subject to change.

Will there be a fee for instrumental lessons?

Musical instrument lessons will be offered as part of the wider curriculum activities and will therefore be a **chargeable service**. Unfortunately, at present, we are unable to provide you with an exact cost of instrumental lessons per term/ year as we are currently exploring a range of options.

What do I need to do?

If you believe that your child could be interested in learning to play a musical instrument, please talk to them and consider the following:

- The financial cost of lessons
- The purchasing or hiring of an instrument
- All lessons will need to be paid for termly in advance
- The time and commitment required by the pupil to attend lessons and practise to make progress.

Please remember that although learning an instrument takes patience and persistence it also develops curiosity and is hugely gratifying. It is an invaluable skill that boosts students' confidence and develops their creativity.

My child is interested, what's next?

At this stage, in order for us understand the potential interest and for us to plan our next steps please fill in [THIS FORM](#) no later than May 24th.

We look forward to providing you with more details once we have seen the interest we have and have explored all options available to us.

Kind regards,

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'That they may have life; life in all its fullness' John 10:10

