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Dear Parents of Children in Years 2 – 5

Arrangements for KS2 Instrumental Lessons from September 2026 provided by Hampshire Music Service

We are in the process of formalising arrangements for music tuition for 2026/2027. Subject to interest, we may be able to offer:

- Violin
- Cello
- Flute
- Clarinet
- Brass

The Agreement - Costs and Charges

- The offer of lessons to your child is on the understanding that they will receive them for a full school year; we guarantee that your child will receive at least 30 lessons per year (the likelihood is that they will receive nearer to 35!). Therefore, we don't offer refunds for days when the school is closed for staff training, the teacher is unavailable or your child is absent or has left the school.
- Parents are responsible for providing the musical instrument. Instruments are available to hire via Hampshire Music Service.
- If you and your child decide to stop their instrument lesson during the year, you will not be given a refund as we are billed for your child's lessons for the year by Hampshire Music Service in advance, unless another child is on the waiting list and then an agreement may be made.
- Parents and children are asked to agree to regular practice and a high level of attendance at the lessons. In return the children will receive certificates for progression made and an end-of-year report.

- For those children learning woodwind and string instruments, they will join our school orchestra when they have reached the required standard (usually obtained after the first year with regular practice taking place between lessons), which will enable them to use their newly achieved skills and perform in front of others. Please note that the school covers the cost for this opportunity.
- Any replies received into the School Office after the date stated, where provision is full, will automatically be placed on the waiting list for the instrument indicated.

The individual price depends on the number of people in a lesson. A small group lesson of three pupils for 20 minutes per week will be in the region of £223 for the year.

Once places have been allocated, you will need to provide an instrument - these can be hired from Hampshire Music Service, details can be found on their website www.hants.gov.uk/hms Fees are payable in advance for the whole year by Tuesday, 1st September 2026. Children cannot commence lessons until payment for the whole year has been received.

If you and your child decide to stop their instrument lesson during the year, you will not be given a refund as we are billed for your child's lessons for the year by Hampshire Music Service in advance, unless another child is on the waiting list and then an agreement may be made.

If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please complete the online form via the link below by **Friday, 24th April 2026**. After this date, you will be contacted directly with a firm price and asked to confirm that you still wish your child to participate.

[Hampshire Music Provision 2026 - 2027 – Fill in form](#)

Yours sincerely

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