

Instrumental Tuition 2023/24

The school provides a range of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities to our students. Among these is the provision of instrumental tuition by visiting teachers. We have managed to ensure there will be no increase in the cost of the tuition and it remains at a cost of £280 per pupil for the academic year. Payment can either be made in full (before tuition commences) or in instalments of £28.00 per month for a total of 10 months. All payments are made through ParentPay, our school's online cashless system. There is no cost for the tuition for students in receipt of free school meals and assistance may be requested for those registered as EVA6.

What do we offer?

All pupils in Years 5 to 8 are offered tuition on the following:

Woodwind Keyboard Drums Brass Guitar

Who are the Instrumental Tutors?

- All tuition is provided by fully qualified, professional staff – who are experts in their chosen field. Most of our tutors are provided by Entrust Music and Performing Arts Service (or in the case of Guitar, a private tutor).

What does the fee pay for?

- Provide lessons for 36 weeks per academic year with a guaranteed minimum of 34, held during the school day in small groups of up to 4 students
- Opportunities to rehearse and perform within a school ensemble
- Opportunities to take public examinations for each instrument
- Access to Entrust Performing Arts

How are the lessons organized?

- Lessons are organized on a rota system in small groups. They last for approximately 20 minutes. As the instrumental lessons occur during the school day, pupils will be expected to catch up on any work missed

Is progress and attendance monitored?

- An annual report is issued for each pupil by the instrumental staff during the Summer Term. There is also an opportunity to speak to most instrumental staff at a Parents Evening provided by Entrust.

Are there any conditions attached to instrumental tuition?

- There will be a commitment for lessons to be undertaken for the whole school year, 1st September 2023 to July 2024
- No refund will be made for lessons lost through absence or termination made at the pupil/parent request
- If tuition is requested to be terminated during the year, you may still be liable for any outstanding payment balance since the school will still be charged for this time
- Pupils are responsible for ensuring any work missed during subject lessons due to instrumental tuition is caught up on before their next subject lesson in school
- The completion and signing of the Instrumental Music Tuition pro-forma will constitute an acceptance of these conditions and be binding

If you would like your child to take up this tuition, please ask them to collect a letter from Miss Watton in Music. Please then complete the form on the second page, and indicate your preference on tuition fees.

Perton Middle School
Music Tuition Agreement 2023 - 2024

I understand that this signed form constitutes a binding contract between myself, and Perton Middle School and an acceptance of the conditions attached.

Student name: _____ **Tutor:** _____

I wish my son / daughter to start music tuition on the following instrument (please circle as appropriate):

Woodwind Brass Keyboard Drums Guitar

Please tick as appropriate:

- ☐ I will pay the full fee of £280.00 for the school year – September 2023 to July 2024
- ☐ I will pay the full balance in instalments of £28.00 a month on ParentPay (10 monthly payments September 2023 to June 2024)
- ☐ I am in receipt of free school meals or registered as EVA6.

The school agrees to:

- Provide a group session of music lessons.
- Pupils to be taught in groups of up to 4, at the teacher's discretion.
- Provide lessons for 36 weeks per academic year with a guaranteed minimum of 34.
- Notify parents if a pupil should miss three lessons in any term.
- Provide access to Music Practice Passes to allow each child in receipt of instrumental tuition to practise in school during breaktime and lunchtime.

Parents agree to:

- Contribute towards the agreed cost of lessons/tuition.
- Give the school a minimum of half terms notice to cancel lessons/tuition. (You will be required to pay the cost of lessons/tuition during the notice period even if you decide not to attend the lessons/tuition.)
- Notify the school if a pupil is to be absent from a lesson.

Pupils agree to:

- Check the rota and arrive promptly at the commencement of their tuition, having first excused themselves from their normal curriculum lesson.
- Take care of his/her instrument and keep it in good working order at all times.
- Practice regularly to lay the foundations of understanding and capability.

Signed _____ **Parent (PRINT NAME)** _____

Signed _____ **Pupil (PRINT NAME)** _____