



Preparing today's children for tomorrow's world

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MUSIC INSTRUMENTAL TUITION AT MAYHILL FROM SEPTEMBER 2019

Once again we are pleased to confirm we will be offering the opportunity for children to learn/continue learning a musical instrument at Mayhill during the next academic year.

These instrumental lessons are provided by highly qualified visiting teachers from Hampshire County Music Service, usually in groups of 2 or 3, for 20 minutes a week, during school time. They provide tuition in a good range of woodwind, string, guitar and brass instruments, as well as vocal.



Learning a musical instrument is a great way for children to learn self expression, how to interact with others and self discipline. As skills develop, a great sense of achievement can also be shared with family and friends. Once children gain confidence in their instrument, whenever possible they will be given opportunities at school to perform in assemblies, concerts and with children from other schools.

However, please be aware that it does take time to practice and develop skills, so ensure there is time outside of school to practice (ideally for 20mins per day) and that your child is enthusiastic enough to stick with it! They may also need to catch up on school work they have missed whilst having their music lessons.

You will need to provide your child with an instrument, and this will need to be ready for use by the first lesson in September. Hampshire Music Service does provide an instrument hire service, please see details below. Parents are strongly advised to investigate the costs involved in addition to the cost of the tuition, before making a commitment – but please do not obtain an instrument before a firm place for tuition has been offered.

Tuition Fees

The cost of tuition is £90 per term, however parents will need to commit to a full year's tuition fees of £270 by signing the form below. Unfortunately this is because the school is required to commit to Hampshire Music Service for the full academic year, even if your child ceases to play an instrument during the year.

Please be aware this is still an extremely competitive price for instrumental tuition as the fees are heavily subsidised by school funds to help open up such great opportunities to our children! We would like all children to have the opportunity to partake in these lessons, if there are financial difficulties please contact Mr May in confidence. We are hopeful that a small number of full Bursary places will become available in a selection of instruments/vocal. Please enquire with the school office for details.

Please also be aware that Hampshire Music aim to provide 30 lessons per academic year and that on rare occasions when it is necessary to cancel a music tuition lesson, the school will be unable to provide refunds due to the size of the subsidy they provide.

To reserve a place

Whilst we cannot guarantee your child a place at this stage, please fill in the form below and return it to the **Mayhill School Office** by **Tuesday 30th April** indicating which instrument your child is interested in playing **and enclose a deposit of £90** (cheques made payable to Hampshire County Council).

Due to the limited places available we are only able to offer your child the opportunity to learn one musical instrument. We will then do our best to accommodate all the children interested in lessons or put them on the waiting list. If your child has not been awarded a place the deposit will be refunded.

Mr Tom May
Head Teacher

Hampshire Music Service - Hire of Instruments

Hampshire Music Service has a limited number of instruments which are available for hire to pupils having lessons through HMS. The cost for each instrument is between £20.00-£30.00 per term which is payable in advance and the minimum period of hire is one term. This is an excellent opportunity for pupils to try out an instrument for the first time or change to a different sized instrument, at very low cost with good quality instruments. For more information visit www3.hants.gov.uk/education/hms/hms-student-instrument-hire

The hire of instruments is the responsibility of the parent to organise prior to their child starting music lessons. Please note instruments need to be collected from Hampshire Music in Eastleigh.

Other local suppliers of musical instruments include: Boosey & Hawkes in Aldershot or Lloyd & Keyworth in Farnham.



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Please return this reply slip and deposit to Mayhill School Office by **Tuesday 30th April 2019**.

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Child's Name		Class/School	
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I would like my child to learn / continue to play (please circle):

Violin / Cello / Flute / Clarinet / Saxophone / Trumpet / French Horn / Trombone / Guitar / Vocal

(Piano / Keyboard lessons are provide for by a private tutor – please see a separate form)

Does your child have any medical conditions that Hampshire Music need to be aware of?	Yes/No
If Yes, please detail -	

Does your child Have any Special Educational Needs that Hampshire Music need to be aware of?	Yes/No
If Yes, please detail -	

- I enclose a cheque made payable to Hampshire County Council for £90 as a deposit. You are able to postdate your cheque to 4th September 2019. If my child is successful in gaining a place this cheque will be used as the first terms fees, or if unsuccessful returned in September. NB for children continuing with instrumental lessons this £90 is for the Autumn Term fees.
- I agree to pay the full year's music tuition fee of £270 in termly instalments when requested even if my child gives up or declines to start tuition.
- I understand that should the School or Hampshire Music Service cancel a tuition session I will not receive a refund.

Parent/Carer's Name: (Please Print)			Date:	
Parent/Carer's Signature:				