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DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES: Wednesday 26 June

Dear Parents and Carers,

PERIPATETIC MUSIC LESSONS 2024-25

Calthorpe Park School is delighted to offer students a variety of music lessons as listed below. Please be aware that we have two pathways for our music provision, one is through Hampshire Music Service and the other is through private tutors who have been approved and meet our safeguarding criteria. Please follow the appropriate pathway below depending on which instrument your child would like to learn.

| <u>Lessons provided by Hampshire Music Service (HMS)</u> | <u>Lessons provided by Private Tutor</u> |
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| Brass Instruments: Cornet, Trumpet, French Horn, Baritone Horn, Tuba and Trombone | Guitar: Acoustic, Electric and Bass Ukulele |
| Keyboard Instruments: Keyboard and Piano | Percussion Instruments: Drum kit, Xylophone and Marimba |
| Woodwind Instruments: Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon and Saxophone | Vocal: Singing Lessons |
| | Violin |
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To apply for music lessons for your child, please read this letter carefully to ensure that the terms and conditions are fully understood, complete the appropriate active electronic form in the above table, and submit it by the date shown in **RED** at the top of this letter.

Applications received after the deadline will only be considered once all other replies have been processed and will be at the discretion of the music tutor and dependent on class sizes.

Please be aware that music lessons **are taken during normal lesson time**, which will necessitate your son/daughter leaving a timetabled lesson for a period of 20 minutes on a rotation basis. Students must be prepared to catch up on any work missed during their absence from these lessons.



Brass, Keyboard and Woodwind

For Brass, Keyboard and Woodwind lessons, the school enters into an annual contract with Hampshire Music Service for the provision of tuition. Upon completion of the form for these instruments, parents are committing to pay for the full academic year (paid in two instalments).

The total cost of lessons with HMS for 2024/25 will be between **£450 and £500 for a minimum of 30 lessons** over the academic year. The actual cost will be communicated with parents in September. A minimum deposit of £250 (£125 for students eligible for PPS – see note below) will be required in advance, payable via our Scopay system. Payments can be made across the year, but the final balance must be paid in full by the start of the Summer term 2025.

Any queries after this time can be addressed to our Finance team at finance@cps.hants.sch.uk.

We do not wish that the financing of lessons be a barrier for students continuing or starting music lessons. To enquire about the Pupil Premium Scheme (PPS), to request an alternative payment method or to discuss a genuine financial difficulty, we would ask that you contact our School Business Manager (j.miller@cps.hants.sch.uk) to discuss. All matters will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence.

Guitar, Vocal and Percussion

For Guitar, Vocal, Percussion and Violin lessons, parents will be required to agree to the terms and conditions set by private tutors that work with us during school hours. By completing the form, you are consenting to your contact details being shared with the tutor.

ASSISTED INSTRUMENT PURCHASE SCHEME (Approved by Hampshire County Council)

The Assisted Instrument Purchase Scheme is available if parents/guardians are considering the purchase of an instrument for a child **for use in school**. This scheme enables VAT to be deducted from the purchase price. For further information about this scheme, please contact our finance department.

We anticipate that all pupils who have peripatetic music lessons participate in at least one of the school's ensembles or clubs. There are no grade requirements for this as pupils are always given music appropriate to their ability. In the past we have run the clubs listed below and expect these to be similar for our 2024/25 extra-curricular music programme.

Jazz Band
Composing Club
Woodwind Ensemble
Guitar Club
Ceilidh Band
Creative Space

Samba Band
African Drumming
Vocal Group
Ukelele Group
Guitar Group
Hand Bells

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs M Drury at m.drury@cps.hants.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Music