

Instrumental Tuition

Our Aims

Queen Elizabeth School Music Department would like to provide the opportunity for as many children as possible to learn to play a wide variety of musical instruments.

Ensure that your child receives a high standard of musical tuition. All our tutors are highly skilled musicians and very experienced teachers.

School ensembles have participated in local, regional, national and international performances that have earned the School an enviable reputation for the quality of its music.

Many children show an interest in learning musical instruments as a result of enjoyable experiences in class music work.

Using musical skills that have been acquired in the classroom, children can then develop their interest in music that will in turn develop many other skills.

Skills such as self-discipline, personal organisation, responsibility for others, the need for perseverance and commitment all play an important role in learning to play a musical instrument.

It is a complex and demanding undertaking that is rewarding in every way. Many children will continue to play throughout their school career and on into adult life.

Children are inquisitive and eager for new experiences. The secondary years are a time for experimenting and learning about music. Be sure to give your child the opportunity for the enjoyment, pleasure and personal pride that they will receive whilst learning to play a musical instrument.

What will tuition cost?

The price of instrumental tuition is fixed regardless of different instruments or different teachers. Q.E.S. subsidises lesson costs and the charges are as follows:

Individual 30 minute **£16**

Individual 20 minute **£10.66**

All lessons will be invoiced termly in advance directly to the parent by the instrumental teacher.

The continuation of lessons into a new half-term or term is subject to the receipt of full payment of outstanding invoices. Written notice of the termination of lessons must be sent to the instrumental teacher **half a term in advance**.

In cases of genuine financial difficulty, our Governing Body operates a remissions policy. Details of how this operates can be obtained from Mr Penwarden-Allan in the Music Office (in complete confidence).

When Will The Lessons Be?

Lessons for Years 7-11 are organised on a rota system so that each child will be withdrawn from a different class lesson each week. Lessons for Years 12 - 13 are given during lunch hour, non-examination lessons or free periods, where possible.

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Instrumental Tuition Available On

Baritone	Flute	Tenor Horn
Bassoon	French Horn	Trombone
Cello	Guitar—Electric, Acoustic, Bass	Trumpet
Clarinet	Harp	Tuba
Cornet	Oboe	Ukulele
Double Bass	Percussion	Voice/Singing
Drum Kit	Piano	Viola
Euphonium	Recorder	Violin
Flugel Horn	Saxophone	

We may be able to arrange tuition on other instruments not mentioned above. Further details are available on request.

The Music Department are pleased to discuss the provision of musical tuition, child aptitude and suitability for any particular instrument. We can also advise you about the purchase of musical instruments.

Group Lessons

Group lessons are currently available for the following instruments:

Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Trombone, Trumpet, Violin and Cello

Lessons are charged at £5.50 each and will consist of a 20 minute lesson with two students or a 30 minute lesson with three students.

Where Can I Get An Instrument?

- The Music Department will be pleased to provide information on the best deals around and on instrument choice.
- The School can loan some instruments. Please ask for details of our Instrumental Loan Scheme.
- A Cumbria School's Music Service instrument may be available to loan. Please ask for details of their Instrumental Loan Scheme.
- Most music shops operate instrumental loan/rental schemes.

Contact us

If you have any comments or suggestions about the instrumental tuition that we provide at Queen Elizabeth School we would be pleased to hear them.

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Group Instrumental Tuition Application Form

Please complete a separate form for each instrument

Instruments currently available for group tuition

Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Trombone, Trumpet, Violin and Cello

Pupil's Name & Form:	
Form Teacher:	
Address:	
Parent telephone:	
Parent Email:	
Instrument:	
If your child has had tuition on the instrument before, please say at what Grade:	

Lessons are charged at £5.50 each and will consist of either a 20 minute lesson with two students or a 30 minute lesson with three students.

Do you require the loan of a musical instrument? Yes
(Free of charge for the first term, £25 thereafter.) No

Parent signature:	
Print name:	
Date:	

Lessons are offered in accordance with the terms and conditions on the reverse of this form.

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Please return this form to:
The Music Office
Queen Elizabeth School
Kirkby Lonsdale
Carnforth
Lancs
LA6 2HJ
015242 71275 ext 291

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QES Terms and Conditions for Group Music Tuition between Instrumental Teacher and Parents

Upon submission of a signed application form both the signatory and music teacher agree to respectfully attend and provide a minimum of six lessons at the rate specified below. All lessons are offered under the following terms and conditions.

Group Tuition

Group lessons are available for certain instruments and are charged at the rate of £5.50 per lesson.

Groups will consist of either two pupils for 20 minutes or three pupils for 30 minutes.

The cost of lessons will be reviewed every two years and the next review is September 2021.

Should there be insufficient pupils to form a group you will be placed on a waiting list or offered an individual lesson. Rates for individual lessons are currently £16 or £11 for either a 30 or 20 minute lesson.

Lessons

Tuition will be offered on every school week during term time. Lesson times and days may alter to fit in with other school commitments.

If the teacher is unable to attend a lesson the lesson will be made up or the lesson fee will be deducted from the next invoice. A suitably qualified deputy may teach lessons during a period of absence.

If a student misses a lesson with less than a week's notice, the lesson will not be made up and will be invoiced. This includes cases of unexpected illness.

The teacher will contact parents directly where two consecutive lessons are missed without notice.

If the student is out of school and a week's notice has been given the lesson will be rearranged or if this isn't possible, deducted from the following invoice.

Payment

An invoice for lessons will normally be sent out before or during the first few weeks of a half-term. The invoice must be settled by the beginning of the next half-term or earlier. Lessons *will be discontinued* where invoices remain unpaid across half or full terms until they are settled. For lessons paid for by school, the teacher will invoice the school.

Stopping Lessons

Lessons may be stopped by the teacher or the student provided that six weeks' notice is given in writing.

This is to protect our teachers from unexpected loss of income. There is no obligation for the pupil to attend lessons during this period. In the event that a student is excluded for a fixed term or permanently, half a term's lessons will be billed. A half term is usually defined as 6 weeks.

Co-operation

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Tuition

Lessons will be given weekly during term time. The length and type of lesson has been agreed as an individual lesson of either 20 or 30 minutes in duration. Any changes to the duration of the lesson will be discussed with student and parents.

Rates

The rate of tuition is currently £32.00 per hour. Tuition fees will rise by £1 p/h every two years and the next rise is September 2021.

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