



Individual Music Lessons

Instrumental Music

Our large team of instrumental teachers offer lessons on the following instruments:

- Strings: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Harp
- Woodwind: Flute/Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone, Recorder
- Brass: Trumpet, Cornet, Horn, Trombone, Tuba
- Percussion & Drums: full range
- Guitar: Bass, Classical, Electric & Acoustic

Each lesson lasts 30 minutes.

Beginners can hire some instruments at a cost of £35 per term.

Lower One pupils also enjoy a second period during which they are introduced to Brass instruments (trumpet, horn, trombone and euphonium) for which they can receive a year of free tuition if they do not already play an orchestral instrument.

Piano

We renewed our pianos in 2006. There are fine performance and teaching pianos by Steinway & Sons and Yamaha throughout the School as well as practice facilities in every House. Our pianists take part in Informal and Music at Lunchtime Concerts and collaborate with their peers in chamber music and duets in addition to their solo studies.

Organ

Lessons are given on our fine, incredibly versatile 3-manual, 35-stop Chapel organ by Peter Collins of Melton Mowbray. The excellent 2-manual Kenneth Tickell instrument in All Saints' Church is also available to pupils.

Pupils regularly perform in concerts and learn vital skills in accompanying and playing for school chapel services.

We ensure that every pupil who plays a suitable instrument to approximately Grade 2–3 standard has the opportunity to perform in an ensemble, band or orchestra.

The School offers discounted tuition to pupils once they have achieved a Merit or Distinction in Grade 6 and above, and have also passed Grade 5 theory. The discount rates are as follows:

Grade 6 (50% discount);

Grade 7 (75% discount);

Grade 8 (100% discount).

Pupils who received subsidised tuition will be expected to continue their good progress, practise regularly, and make a strong musical contribution in school ensembles (or chamber music/accompanying/duet playing in the case of pianists). Any music lessons missed without good reason will be charged. Individual music teachers are experienced in recommending when pupils are ready for the musical and technical demands of higher grade exams.

Singing

Individual singing lessons are provided by dedicated teachers who maintain active professional performing careers.

Each lesson lasts 30 minutes.