

MUSIC TUITION APPLICATION FORM

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Please complete and return to the Director of Music, Mrs Sarah Kettlety, at <u>skettlety@priorparkschools.com</u> or hand to the reception at The Paragon.

Name of pupil:	
Class:	
Instrument:	
Is your child a beginner?	
Do you possess an instrument?	
Do you wish to hire an instrument? (subject to availability)	

DECLARATION

I have read the accompanying music tuition guidelines and, hereby, demonstrate my acceptance of the terms stated.

Name of parent:	
Email address:	
Signed:	
Date:	

Music tuition guidelines

INSTRUMENTAL AND VOICE LESSONS

Tuition is available at The Paragon on the piano, the organ, classical guitar, orchestral instruments (strings, woodwind, brass), the saxophone and in singing. The Director of Music will be pleased to advise parents on choosing a suitable instrument for their child to learn. Please complete the music lesson application form and return to the Director of Music, Mrs Sarah Kettlety, at <u>skettlety@priorparkschools.com</u> or by hand to the reception desk at The Paragon.

PRACTICE

Whilst we are keen to encourage pupils to take music lessons, it must be noted that in order to progress all pupils must find time to practise at least four times a week for around 20 minutes.

Please ensure children bring a notebook to their lessons into which their teacher can detail areas for practice.

LESSON COST

The number of lessons varies each term. Lesson rates are published by the finance department each year along with information about school fees. Please see <u>www.priorparkcollege.com/admissions/fees</u> for further details. If your child is due to go on a scheduled school trip we will endeavour to move the lesson or refund you where this is not possible. If you give us at least one week's notice of future absence, we will also do our best to move the lesson. However, if this is not possible or you have not given enough notice, you will forfeit the lesson. Any other absence, including illness, will result in forfeiting the lesson.

TIMETABLE

Lesson times rotate every half term at The Paragon. This system works well as it means your child will not miss the same lesson for too long. These times are still subject to change within a half term due to school trips and events. If your child has academic needs such that they cannot afford to miss classroom time then school-based music lessons may not be the best option for them.

You will receive an automated weekly email detailing the time of your child's next lesson.

NOTICE

10 lessons advance notice of terminating lessons must be given in writing (email) to the Director of Music.

LOAN, HIRE AND PURCHASE OF INSTRUMENTS

The Paragon possesses a stock of orchestral instruments which may be lent to pupils as they become available. Details about our hiring fees can be found on the college website. Fees include use at weekends and during the holidays. If an instrument is not available for hire through the school we will recommend alternative suppliers. Pupils are expected to purchase their own instruments when they have reached a reasonable standard and your child's instrument teacher will be pleased to advise.

NB. If a school instrument is to be taken away from the premises it is the parents' responsibility to insure it.

CARE AND INSURANCE OF INSTRUMENTS

Musical instruments are often extremely valuable. The Paragon cannot accept responsibility for pupils' possessions. Therefore, parents are strongly advised to arrange their own insurance cover for their children's instruments, including any on loan from the Paragon.

APPLICATIONS FOR MUSIC LESSONS

If you wish your son or daughter to have instrument lessons, please fill in and return the attached form. When no vacancy is available, your son or daughter's name will be put on a waiting list.