

**LODDON PRIMARY FEDERATION – Junior School Music Lessons**  
**Instrumental Music Tuition Information 2018-2019**

Instrumental lessons are offered to pupils on a voluntary basis.

**Tuition and Lesson Arrangements**

- Lessons will be provided by specialist peripatetic instrumental teachers known to the school or employed by the Norfolk Music Service.
- Currently lessons are of approximately 20 minutes in duration with pupils receiving a single lesson each week. The lessons will be offered in blocks of 10 weeks.
- Lessons will usually take place in lesson time with the pupils being withdrawn from normal lessons. Efforts will be made to avoid the same subject being missed each week. Pupils must undertake to make up work missed from such lessons.
- Pupils may be taught in small groups or have individual lessons. Such arrangements will be determined by the respective skill levels that the pupils have reached. The composition of the teaching groups will be decided by the Music Co-ordinator in consultation with the relevant instrumental teachers. Pupils will be expected to practise between lessons as directed by their teacher.

**Charging Arrangements.**

- Charging arrangements involve a standard fee irrespective of group size. Groups will usually comprise 3 or less pupils.
- The fee for lessons in the Autumn Term 2017 has been set at
  - Guitar       £8.00 a lesson
  - Piano        £9.00 a lesson
  - Drum/Sax/Flute/Clarinet/Recorder £10 a lesson
  - Violin       £11.00 a lessonMrs Cork and Mrs Baldwin will bill their pupils independently of the school.  
NB if children are taught in a group for guitar/violin there will be a fee reduction.
- Parents will be expected to meet the cost of sheet music and entry fees to Graded Tests where applicable
- Lessons subject to these charges are as follows:
  - (a) Clarinet / Flute / Piano/Recorder and Sax with Mrs Cork
  - (b) Keyboard with Mrs Baldwin
  - (c) Guitar with Mr Goodall
  - (d) Violin with Mr Ames
- Where children are supplied with instruments owned by the school they are expected to look after them properly. Parents should check that their household contents insurance covers loss or theft of the instruments. If these instruments are damaged while not on school premises then the cost of their repair is the responsibility of the users parents/guardians.
- Lessons for a child will cease either at the parent's request by giving a term's notice, or if the fee payments are not made within a reasonable time scale.
- There will be no rebate given of fees covering a 10week lesson period. All children commencing a terms tuition are expected to complete the course of lessons.
- At the end of each terms lessons the school reserves the right terminate tuition for a particular child if they have failed to attend lessons regularly and/or if they are making little or no effort to learn the instrument they are being taught. Any parents suffering financial hardship are invited to discuss the matter with the Headteacher in confidence.
- No reduction in charges will be made for occasional absences by pupils. Allowance for such missed lessons is made in the setting of the standard charge levels. However, the Headteacher can make special arrangements in cases of extended absence.
- Where a peripatetic teacher cancels a lesson efforts will be made to arrange an extra lesson probably in the following term, at no charge to the pupil's parent/guardian.
- The parents/guardians contribution towards instrumental lessons will be reviewed annually.