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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Peripatetic Music Lessons**

In preparation for September, pupils have the opportunity to sign up to peripatetic music lessons. We currently offer provision for drum, guitar (including bass), piano, woodwind and brass lessons. We are hoping to expand our provision into string and vocal tuition in the near future, so please do indicate if this would be of interest to you.

Below is some information regarding how the lessons will run. Should you wish to proceed with lessons, please return the attached consent form as soon as possible.

### **How are lessons organised?**

These lessons run during school hours on a rotating timetable to ensure pupils do not miss the same lessons each week. Lessons are 25 minutes long meaning pupils will still attend half of their timetabled lesson. Pupils will be issued with a timetable each half term and it is their responsibility to turn up for lessons. Any lessons missed due to pupil absence, including illness, or pupils not turning up, will not be refunded.

### **Do I need my own instrument?**

The school will provide some instruments such as drum kits, guitars, bass guitars and keyboards for pupils to use during these lessons. However, woodwind and brass instruments would need to be provided by the pupil. These can be rented for a fee from the Cumbria Music Service, which school can assist with arranging.

### **What is the cost of lessons?**

The lessons will cost £7. These lessons will be small group lessons (no bigger than three pupils), with pupils of similar ability in each lesson. These will, generally, be charged in 6-week blocks (half a term) of £42, however this will fluctuate depending on the number of weeks in the half term. It is perhaps worth noting that these prices favour considerably compared to seeking private tuition.

There is a small amount of funding available for these lessons, please contact Miss Wilkinson if you would like more information on this. This is allocated on a case by case basis.

### **How do I pay for the lessons?**

Payment will be made via ParentPay at the beginning of each half term. Payment will be made available to you on ParentPay once we have received the below consent form. Both the consent form and payment are required before the lessons can begin. If you need log-in details or have any queries regarding ParentPay please contact the finance office.

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**What if I want to cancel the lessons?**

If you wish to cancel lessons, we require three weeks' notice and confirmation of cancellation in writing.

**What if I am doing GCSE Music?**

As instrumental skills are a required aspect of GCSE music, those in Year 10 who have opted to take GCSE music will receive instrumental lessons free of charge.

Yours sincerely

*N Wilkinson*

Miss N Wilkinson  
Teacher of Music

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**Peripatetic Music Lesson Sign Up Sheet: Please return to Miss Wilkinson**

**Peripatetic Music Lessons**

Please read the accompanying information sheet carefully before completing and signing this form which gives permission for your son/daughter to receive instrument or singing tuition.

**Name of Student:** .....

**Form:** .....

**Instrument:** .....

I confirm I will contribute £7 per lesson payment via ParentPay:

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....

