



Music Lessons 2024/25

Learning without limits



**Head of Music** 

**Peripatetic Staff** 

From Northamptonshire Music and

**Performing Arts Trust** 

Mr R Baker — Brass

Mrs R Cliffe — Strings

Mr J Draper —Guitar

Mr M Hickman—Guitar

Ms S Mourant —Woodwind

Miss E Stevens - Voice

Miss F Laurie — Drums

Independent

Mrs J Milner — Piano

### Guilsborough Academy is striving for musical excellence

All students are encouraged and supported in whatever musical activity they participate in, whether that is in the classroom or during extra curricular activities. We seek to provide an exciting, challenging and enjoyable education.

#### Our aims include:

- Fostering creativity and encouraging the development of imagination and enquiring minds
- Enabling students to share an active involvement in different forms of musical activity
- Developing perceptive, sensitive and critical responses to music from a variety of cultures and societies
- Developing group ensemble skills
- Enabling students to share an active involvement in different forms of musical activity including composition, listening and appraising, performance, and the use of music technology.

#### **Concerts and Events**

We organise regular concerts and musical evenings throughout the year which provide valuable opportunities for students to perform for their parents and peers.

We also support local events with a number of students providing music for fetes as well as taking part in Musical Festivals.

In addition to this we also have visiting musicians who run work shops and special focus days.

#### **Ensembles**

The following groups are currently rehearsing:

Wind Band, String Orchestra, Rock Group,

Musical

# Instrumental and vocal tuition charging policy

At present this policy:

- Offers subsidised tuition for all students receiving lessons from the music tuition in school. Pricing for the 2024-25 Academic Year is yet to be confirm. As a guide, 2023-24 charges are £85 per term for single (10 minute) lessons or £170 per term for double (20 minute) lessons. Each term is 11 weeks.
- Reduced fees are available for families who are currently eligible or have been entitled to Free School Meals in the past six years or are entitled to Pupil Premium.

#### **Conditions of receiving lessons:**

- Students are expected to attend at least one extra curricular musical activity during the week when they are at an appropriate standard
- Students are expected to practice regularly and attend their instrumental lessons
- Notice period is a full term (11
   weeks) and must be given in writing
   to Mrs Wilson in reception if a student wishes to cease their tuition via
   hwilson@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk
- A deposit of one term's fees is payable when application is made prior to the start of the academic year

Scheme for the purchase of musical instruments

This scheme enables parents to purchase instruments free from VAT. The purchase has to be made through Guilsborough Academy. If you are interested, please contact us for further details.



#### When do the lessons take place?

Instrumental lessons take place during the school day and, where possible, are run on a rota system timetable.

#### Where do the lessons take place?

All lessons are given in the music department.

#### How will students know when their lesson is?

The timetables for each instrumental teacher are displayed on the notice-board in the music department.

#### Is there anywhere students can store their instrument?

There is an instrumental storeroom within the department where students can leave their instruments.

#### What do students do if they miss their lesson?

Try to speak to their instrumental teacher to arrange another time in the day, or speak to one of the music teachers, or Mrs Wilson in reception.

#### Will I be informed of my child's progress?

Progress reports are distributed 2 times per year in December, March and an end of year report in July. (This is currently being reviewd by NMPAT for 2024/25)

#### Is insurance needed?

Parents are responsible for ensuring that all instruments, including those on loan through the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust, are covered for loss or theft etc. under appropriate insurance.

#### How do I apply?

Please complete the online application form for your child to receive tuition through the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust.

#### Any questions?

Please email: info@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk

#### **FEES**

Payment for lessons is required in advance of the start of each term and one term's notice is required when cancelling lessons. This is because, as a school, we are also required to book the lesson time with the music teachers in advance.

Lessons are charged at £85\* per term for single (10 minute) lessons or £170\* per term for double (20 minute) lessons, each term being 11 weeks.

\*Please note, all prices shown above are the 2023-24 rate, 2024-25 prices are due to be confirmed by end of April 2024.

#### **Term One**

Will be invoiced on application and payment is required by 16 June 2024. Each term is 11 weeks.

For current student this will be via ParentPay.

For new students starting at Guilsborough in September 2024 the first payment is to be made via TicketSource and will include a booking fee. All subsequent payments will be made via ParentPay and will not include a fee.

- Term Two
   Will be invoiced via ParentPay in October 2024.
- Term Three
   Will be invoiced via ParentPay in February 2025.





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