

Our Ref: DPE

12th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Bishop Perowne we firmly believe that learning to play a musical instrument and being part of music ensembles is both a deeply satisfying and beneficial thing to do. Learning an instrument has many proven benefits such as improving physical skill and coordination, developing perseverance and tenacity, boosting self-esteem and confidence, and creating a new social outlet. We would therefore like to take this opportunity to explain what the Music Department at our school has to offer in terms of instrumental lessons.

Alongside classroom music lessons, students at Bishop Perowne have the opportunity to receive individual lessons through our instrumental lesson provision. We have a number of visiting teachers who are specialists in their field. The instrumental lessons on offer currently are:

Piano Singing Drums Clarinet Saxophone Flute Trumpet
Trombone
French Horn
Guitar (Acoustic and Electric)
Bass Guitar
Ukulele

If the instrument your child would be interested in learning is not listed above, please do still complete the expression of interest form and we will look into the possibility of organising a visiting teacher for that instrument.

Instrumental lessons take place during the school day, and rotas are designed (where possible) to ensure that students do not miss the same lesson every week. Lessons are also available before and after school, and at break times and lunchtimes. Timetables are displayed outside the music department and students are given a reminder card each week for their following lesson.

Instrumental lessons do entail a fee, but this is something that can be discussed with the relevant instrumental teacher, as they all have various options to make lessons more affordable as we would like as many students as possible to have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument.

If you would be interested in your child learning an instrument within school, please complete the attached form and return to Mrs Peters. She will pass the information to the relevant peripatetic teacher and they will then be in touch with you regarding lesson options and fees.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs D Peters Director of Music

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