

Welcome to the Music Department At LRGS



We are delighted that you are interested in taking music lessons at LRGS with one of our peripatetic music tutors. This leaflet will hopefully provide some information for students and parents on the music tuition, together with some contact details, music groups, etc.

Director of Music
Peripatetic Music Co-ordinator

Mrs Emma Lamb
Mrs Kim Taylor

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We are able to offer a range of music tuition for the students at LRGS :-

Saxophone / Clarinet / Flute with Karen Giudici

kgiudici@lrqs.org.uk

Brass with Andrew Warriner/Adrian Boardman

awarriner@lrqs.org.uk

aboardman@lrqs.org.uk

Electric, Acoustic or Bass Guitar with Dave Shooter

dshooter@lrqs.org.uk

Violin / Viola & Piano with Sarah Edmondson

sedmondson@lrqs.org.uk

Cello / Double Bass with Penny Holt

pholt@lrqs.org.uk

Piano with Yvette Price /Martyn Stringer

yprice@lrqs.org.uk

mstringer@lrqs.org.uk

Drum kit with Andy Smith

asmith@lrqs.org.uk

Singing with Christopher Steele

csteele@lrqs.org.uk

Music Production with Dave Shooter

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Working primarily with Ableton Live DAW software (and Push hardware units) learn how to make beats, produce and record

Students taking instrument tuition are encouraged to take part in the school ensembles. Due to Covid restrictions, these are not fully active but may include the following:-

Brass Band

LRGS Larks (trebles)

Rock School

Big Band

Jazz Orchestra

LRGS/LGGS Orchestra

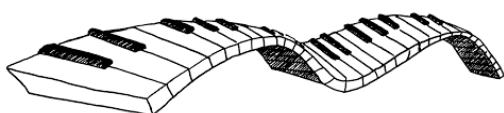
Choir

String Group

Guitar/Ukulele Group



Details will be published as each group comes back to live rehearsals



The music lessons are 30 minutes long and are on a one-to-one basis, at a charge of £18.50 per lesson. These usually take place during the school day on a rotating timetable, which hopefully reduces any impact on the academic timetable. Priority for lessons outside of the academic timetable are given to GCSE and A Level students. If a student has a lesson, they should inform the teacher at the beginning of the lesson and then ask to leave for the music tuition (allowing enough time to get to the practise room). Similarly, after the music tuition, they should proceed to their next lesson. Students must ensure that they catch up on any missed work.

All music lessons take place in the practise rooms in the Music Department or the Rigg Room. Full details and any door codes will be emailed out to you in advance of the lesson.

Instrument Storage :-

There is a secure storage room in the Music Department, near the practise rooms, where your instrument can be stored during the school day. You will be provided with the key code for the storage room.



Timetables :-

The timetables for music tuition are emailed out to all parents and students and are also on display on the notice boards in the Music Department and the boarding houses. The emails are sent at the end of each half term for the following half term. Please ensure that you check the timetables carefully and that tutors (or Mrs Taylor) are notified well in advance if any clashes for school trips, sports fixtures, etc., are noted.



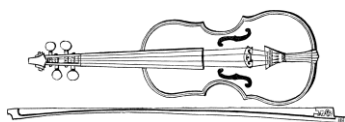
If we receive less than 24 hours' notice the lesson may be chargeable.

Similarly, if you are unable to attend a timetabled music lesson due to illness, please ensure that a parent/guardian contacts either the music tutor or Mrs Taylor no later than 24 hours before the lesson. Unfortunately, less than 24 hours' notice would be a non-refundable lesson. We can only accept cancellation due to illness from parent or housemaster.

The music tutors will always try to re-schedule any **authorised** absences. If we are unable to re-schedule (and provide the full 34 lessons over the course of the year), then lessons provided will be reconciled at the end of the school year and any reimbursement made.

Invoices & Payment :-

The invoices for music tuition will be sent out to all parents each half term from our Accounts Department. These are payable **via Wisepay** (the school's online payment system) and should be paid within 14 days of receipt. When you log in to Wisepay, you will see the half term payments and you can always pay without an invoice number.



Instrument Purchase/Hire :-

It is important that students have their own instruments for music lessons as practise at home is an important part of music tuition. There are only a limited number of certain instruments available in the Music Department, and these cannot be removed from the department.

Two stores that we would recommend for instrument purchase or hire are :-



Promenade Music in Morecambe <http://www.promenademusic.co.uk/>

The Music Cellar in Preston <http://www.themusiccellar.co.uk/>

We want our students to enjoy their music tuition as an enriching part of their school life and Music is also available to students as a GCSE and A Level option. When taking Music for GCSE/A level, students are encouraged to take music tuition with one of our tutors. If you are interested in taking Music for GCSE or A level, then this should be discussed with Mrs Lamb.

Points to remember:-

- We require a completed and signed parental contract for music tuition (available on the website or from Mrs Taylor). Details are then forwarded to the relevant music tutor and our Accounts Department.
- Parental contracts for music tuition need to be renewed each academic year if you are continuing with music lessons. These are emailed out to all parents, and are also available on the school website and from the General Office in Lee House.
- We require at least 24 hours' notice for any absences for school trips, etc. Please contact your music tutor or Mrs Taylor (contact details below).
- Please remember to notify the music tutor or Mrs Taylor if your son/daughter is off school due to illness.
- Tuition can start at the beginning of each half term during the year, provided that a completed contract is received before the end of the preceding half term, to allow time for our tutors to prepare their timetables.
- If you wish to stop music tuition, we require a half term's notice – cancellation of lessons should be by email/letter, and no later than the first week back after any given holiday.
- If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Lamb or Mrs Taylor.

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