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Autumn Term Peripatetic Music Lessons

Dear Parents and Carers,

Learning a musical instrument is a wonderful experience which is excellent for children's wellbeing and social development as well as having been shown to be fantastic for improving creativity, confidence and showcasing resilience and self-discipline. We are keen for all our students to have the opportunity to learn an instrument at Walthamstow Academy.

We are therefore glad to inform you of our provision of music lessons at Walthamstow Academy. Our current provision includes lessons on drums, guitar, and piano/keyboard, with a team of three highly dedicated and skilled specialist instrumental teachers who deliver the lessons.

How are lessons organized?

These lessons run during school hours on a rotating timetable in a 10-week block. Students always have their lesson on the same day of the week, but the time of their lesson varies to ensure they don't always miss the same class in their normal school day. Lessons are 30 minutes long meaning students will still attend half of their timetabled lesson. Students will be issued with a timetable, and it is their responsibility to turn up for lessons. Any lessons missed due to student absence, including illness, or students not turning up, cannot be refunded.

Do I need my own instrument?

The school will provide instruments for students to use during these lessons. Students are also welcome to stay after school to practise in our music practice room (using our instruments) if they wish. If you are learning guitar then you are welcome to bring your own guitar to school.

What is the cost of lesson?

The lessons will cost £16 per half hour lesson. These lessons are individual (one to one) lessons where students will receive the entire attention of the teacher. The total charge for the 10-week block will be £160 and is payable in a lump sum in advance.

Funding is available for students on pupil premium, that is students who have a record of eligibility for free school meals at any point of time in the last 6 years. They will automatically receive a 50% funding and the charge for the 10-week block lessons is £80.

How do I pay for the lessons?



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Payment will be made via Arbor. Once you have signed up using the form below, we will alert you when the payment option has been made available to you.

What if I want to cancel the lessons?

Once the payment is made and 10-week block lessons being scheduled, lessons cannot be cancelled. If your child is ill on the day of a lesson then it cannot be rearranged.

How do I sign my child up for lessons?

If you wish to sign your child up for lessons, please complete the online form using the below QR code on or before 19 September 2022. Alternatively, you can use this link (<u>https://forms.office.com/r/kWvtWxcMVf</u>).

Lesson Sign Up:



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