

# ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Music Tuition for Academic Year 2023-24

This afternoon your child watched a mini concert performed by Wigan Music Service. It showed how amazing learning an instrument can be and has hopefully inspired our children to become fantastic young musicians. The benefits of learning an instrument are numerous and include: improving coordination and memory, learning responsibility, helping with maths and reading skills, enabling creativity and emotional development and it opens a new world of opportunity of groups to be part of and people to share experiences with.

We are now booking music lessons with the Local Authority Music Service for the academic year 2023-24. **If your child is currently learning to play an instrument and they would like to continue, or would like to take up an instrument in September**, please follow this link and complete the online form <https://forms.office.com/e/47i4Qfh1PQ>. Similarly, if your child has music lessons at present but will not be continuing with them next year, would you please complete the form indicating this.

The cost of lessons will be:

**Years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6** - £6.25 for a group lesson or £12.50 for an individual lesson.

**Year 5** - £4.75 for a group lesson in the main instrument or £11.00 for an individual lesson. £6.25 for a group lesson in the second instrument or £12.50 for an individual lesson.

All lessons are payable via Lunch Shop (Lunch Hub from 22 June) and must be paid at the start of each half term. Refunds are not made for pupil absence (with the exception of absence due to activities arranged by school) unless parents inform the Music Service a minimum of 48 hours prior to the scheduled lesson. Lessons missed due to teacher absence will either be credited or made up with an additional lesson later in the term.

Please note that the recommended **minimum** age for beginning each instrument is as follows:

Recorder	- Year 1+
Keyboard/ Piano/ Strings/ Drums	- Year 2+
Guitar / Flute/ Clarinet/ Voice	- Year 3+
Brass	- Year 3+ (depending on size of mouth and number of missing teeth!)
Saxophone	-Year 5+

Information on the Hire Scheme available from the Music Service, should you wish to hire rather than buy an instrument while you decide if this is the right instrument, will be sent home.

Please complete the form by **Friday 30 June 2023** in order for school to arrange lessons. When we receive the timetable of lessons we will inform you of when these lessons will take place (please note, it may be the start of the Autumn Term before we receive this information).

Yours sincerely,

M Finch

Mrs M Finch  
Music Subject Leader

