

September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

### Re: Instrumental Lessons 2025-2026

At The Garibaldi School we employ external peripatetic music teachers to teach drum and guitar. From September 2025 instrumental lessons will take place at the following times:

**Drums - Tuesday with Mr Ellis**

**Guitar – Thursday with Mr Goodwin**

The cost to have an instrumental lesson in school is £50 per full term. Each student will be given a minimum of ten x 20-minute lessons per half term. Your child may receive up to 14 lessons across the term if there are no INSET days scheduled on their lesson day or staff absence. We are able to offer lessons at this price as the school subsidises the cost for students. Instrumental lessons take place during the school day, but our peripatetic music staff do their utmost to make sure students do not miss the same lessons each week by having a rotation system across the time period they are in school.

If your child receives free school meals, you hold an NHS Tax Credit exemption certificate (proof required) or you receive Universal Credit with a take-home pay of £935 or less (proof required), your child is eligible for significant financial support with the cost of lessons (dependant on uptake) and instrument hire through the service.

If you are interested in your child having instrumental lessons, please complete the attached slip and return to Mrs Gray in the finance office with the £50 payment for the first term. Payments can be made by cash, cheque - payable to 'Nova Education Trust' or via online payment, however a signed consent slip will be required for all methods of payment.

Please note that when the slip is handed back to the school you are committed to pay the termly amount of £50 three times throughout the course of the upcoming school year. You will, however, be allowed two weeks after the date on your invoice (every term) to pay for the lessons. If payment is not received by this time your child will be removed from the instrumental lessons list and will no longer receive lessons until the amount owed to the school is paid in full. After the first term is paid, your child will be put on the timetable for their instrument. We require at least one term's notice if you no longer wish your child to have lessons.

If you have any further queries regarding instrumental teaching, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school on the number below, extension 07298 or alternatively by email at [rbiggs@garibaldischool.co.uk](mailto:rbiggs@garibaldischool.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

**Miss R Biggs**  
**Head of Creative Arts**

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I wish for my child

..... mentor group .....

to have ..... lessons.

I understand that by signing this slip I am consenting to agree to the payment plan. I know that if I wish child to no longer have an instrumental lesson I need to give a full term's notice.

Signed .....

Print name of Parent/Carer .....

Date .....

Please return completed slips to Miss Biggs in the Creative Arts Office (next to the LRC).