

12th June 2023

Re: Instrument Music Lessons

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are proud to be able to offer our students the opportunity to learn an instrument during their time at Corby Technical School. We know that learning an instrument can be hugely beneficial to support their lifelong development in many ways, not least as a form of self-expression and a sense of fulfilment.

If your child currently is enrolled for instrumental lessons and wishes to continue with their lessons, please click [HERE](#) to complete the form. No matter what age or year your child is in, and they have an interest in learning a musical instrument or developing their vocal skills, now is the perfect time for them to start on this journey as they start a new academic year.

Additionally, if your child has opted for GCSE Music going into year 10, it would be extremely beneficial for them to have instrument lessons on their instrument or voice as they would highly support their performance studies during the course.

As before, lessons are delivered by teachers from Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust (NMPAT). We provide lessons on the Piano, Guitar (electric/acoustic/bass), Upper Strings, and the Drums. However, if there is enough interest in another instrument to purchase the minimum time requirement from NMPAT, we will seek to offer this too. These are listed on the form below.

The lessons will be taught in pairs up to grade 2 standard, for 20 minutes per week with a specialist teacher from the NMPAT music service. Please note, NMPAT have not increased the cost of lessons for four years, but unfortunately with rising costs recently there has been a small increase. There will be a cost for these of a £8 per week for 30 weeks across the year (3x 10 week chargeable periods) but this may be subsidised for students who receive free school meals. If your child is beyond grade 2 standard, they can apply for 1:1 lesson, but these will be at a cost of £15.50 per week.

We offer the option to pay for a term at a time in advance (10 weeks) or for the full year upfront (30 weeks). In the event of teacher absence, the lessons will be delivered in the catch-up weeks. If this is not possible, the cost of lessons missed due to non-delivery by NMPAT will be deducted from the final term's invoice or refunded during the final term if you have paid in full.

Please fill in the form [HERE](#) if you would like your child to undertake instrumental lessons in their upcoming academic year. The deadline to complete the form will be **Wednesday 21st June 2023**. Instrumental lessons will commence in the new academic year of 2023-2024 upon students' start to school. Their instrumental lesson time and day will be given to them on their return.

If there any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org and I will more than happy to assist.

Yours sincerely,



Mr J Harragan
Head of Performing Arts