

JHS/JPS

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Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Music tuition – Academic year 2017/18**

The Governors met on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and have reviewed and agreed the prices for the new academic year 2017/18. The charges are as follows:-

#### Students who Qualify for Pupil Premium

Years 7 – 11 students qualifying for Pupil Premium - £50 per term, £150 per year per instrument  
GCSE Music students years 9 - 11 qualifying for Pupil Premium – no charge

#### All other students

Individual lessons - £95 per term, £285 per annum per instrument. If full amount paid **before 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 £235 per instrument (discount of £50)**

Joint lessons - £65 per term, £195 per annum per instrument. If full amount paid **before 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 £150 per instrument (discount of £45)**

Please be aware the Governors have agreed that the school will continue to heavily subsidise music tuition, because they recognise the benefits and achievements that it brings to both the students and the school. The cost to the school per student per annum is around £425 per year, which equates to over £14 per lesson. The school is actually only charging parents a fraction of this cost – between £0 and £9.50 per lesson, depending on circumstances.

When we agree our requirements with Hampshire Music we commit to use their services for the full academic year and we therefore require the same commitment from our students and parents. The charge is payable for the full academic year as we are charged regardless of whether the student attends. If your child decides to stop attending for any reason, the full charge is still payable. Your child will receive a guaranteed average of ten lessons per term. Where possible, we will place your child in a group lesson, however, this is not available for piano/keyboard or if there is no-one else of a similar standard to be placed with.

Please complete the Google form (link below) **by 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017**, if your child would like to continue or start music lessons when they join us in September.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/u/0/d/e/1FAIpQLSeciqHkpG4dqM8pHjDJP5ih9cmq\\_EpzQoWWTWce6AiqAUFIPQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/u/0/d/e/1FAIpQLSeciqHkpG4dqM8pHjDJP5ih9cmq_EpzQoWWTWce6AiqAUFIPQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

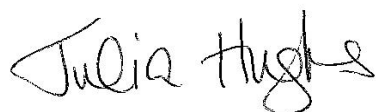
If you have any problems accessing the form, please contact Jo Peebles, 023 8064 1232 or [jo.peebles@crestwood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:jo.peebles@crestwood.hants.sch.uk)

At this stage we do not require payment however, we will use this information to agree music provision with Hampshire Music Service for the next academic year. Once lessons are confirmed, we will contact you to confirm costs. We will then require either online payment or a cheque for the full amount (discounted price of £235 or £150 will only be available during September – you must pay by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 to qualify for the discount) or three cheques, one dated September 2017 and two post-dated to be banked in January 2018 and April 2018. You may also pay on line in 3 instalments. This eliminates the need to send invoices home and helps us to reduce our administration costs.

Learning a musical instrument is an enjoyable, rewarding and beneficial activity. Students gain experience of high level skill-acquisition, self-discipline and self-confidence and can go on to take part in group music-making which has its own benefits of collaboration, team-building and social skills.

If you have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact Jo Peebles on 023 8064 1232 or email [jo.peebles@crestwood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:jo.peebles@crestwood.hants.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julia Hughes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a long, sweeping underline.

Julia Hughes  
Business Manager