



Monday 26th June 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

At Winterton Junior School, we offer pupils the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument. Tuition is given by visiting instrumental tutors from the Local Authority Music Support Service and we have places available for the following instruments:-

- *Percussion – 2 places*
- *Trumpet – 3 places*
- *Violin – 4 places*
- *Woodwind – 4 places*
- *Guitar – 10 places*
- *Singing/Voice – 3 places*

Instrument lessons will take place during the school day, so therefore it is likely that your child will miss part of their timetables school lesson each week. Every effort is made to teach using a pupil rota system so that your child will not always miss the same time/lesson every week.

The school/Music Support Service instruments may be loaned free of charge and your child will receive a minimum of 36 lessons per year. The cost of music lessons is £54 per term, for which, the school sends out an invoice on a termly basis. To help spread the cost half termly payments can be made at the beginning of every term instead. There will also, be some further costs involved for the purchase of sheet music and other items such as replacement strings, reeds, drum sticks etc. If financial issues may be a barrier to your child accessing this opportunity please come and discuss this with myself or Mrs Logan.

We must emphasise that learning an instrument is a long term commitment, success is not achieved overnight, and parental encouragement to practice and persevere is vital. Our aim is that any child who wishes, should have an opportunity to participate so new players are selected on the basis of a short audition (consisting of a listening and an aptitude test). If you would like your child to be considered for any of the above instruments, please could you complete slip below and return it to school.

Kind Regards

Ros Taylor

Deputyhead/Music Co-ordinator

My child is interested in learning the -----

Signed parent/carer

Child's Name Class



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