



# St Wilfrid's R.C. College

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

St Wilfrid's Music Department offers a large variety of extracurricular opportunities for our students and we hope that your son or daughter will make the most of their time with us by getting involved.

Individual instrumental lessons are available through the Music Service and private instrumental teachers. A form is attached with details of this. If your son or daughter is interested in learning an instrument then please complete the enclosed *Music Tuition registration and Contract* form and return it in September (**deadline Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September**) to Reception with the correct monies in cash, cheque or on ParentPay.

We also run a large extracurricular programme which offers all students the opportunity to get involved in Music outside of curriculum time. We run a Junior Choir, Chamber Choir, Steel Pan Band, Keyboard Club, Guitar Club, Homework Drop-in, ABRSM Theory, Orchestra, Junior Orchestra and worship bands at lunch times, before and after school and all of these are free. Please see the attached extracurricular timetable for further information.

Pupils who have brass, woodwind or string lessons through the Music Service are required to attend orchestra rehearsals and to perform at school events. The school is subsidising the cost of these instrumental lessons and therefore, all students are expected to contribute to the musical life of the school.

If you have any queries about the music programmes we offer please contact me.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr Andrew Mair**  
**Head of Music**

## **Fees that apply to the Autumn Term 2018** **(For pupils entitled to Free School Meals, please see page 6)**

Please pay no later than **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. In addition, you need to complete and return the attached music tuition registration form & contract. Please note that lessons will stop if payment is not received.

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### **Brass, Woodwind & Strings**

**Brass:** Tuba, Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone

**Strings:** Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass

**Woodwind:** Flute, Clarinet and Saxophone (Unfortunately the Woodwind timetable is full but please contact Mr Mair via reception to be put on the waiting list for when a place becomes available).

\*It is expected that pupils learning one of the above instruments, play in the school Orchestra on a Wednesday 3:15-3:45 (or 4:30 if staying for Senior Orchestra). This is free of charge and is a fun learning opportunity. The school heavily subsidises the cost of these instrumental lessons and expects pupils to further their learning and support the school by attending orchestra, in return for this subsidy.

Tuition and instrument hire is provided by South Tyneside Music Service who charge the school per hour. A parental contribution is required as detailed below.

- Tuition Only – £37.00 (Summer term)
- Tuition & Instrument Hire - £48 (Summer term)

Students may be taught in individual or group lessons depending on their instrument and ability. The instrumental teachers ensure that longer lessons are given to those who are learning in a group or if it is beneficial due to them working at a higher standard.

### **Drums**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Individual Lesson (20 minutes) - £100 (10 lessons)

### **Piano**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Individual Lesson (20 minutes) - £100 (10 lessons)

### **Singing**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Individual Lesson (30 minutes) - £150 (10 Lessons)

### **Guitar**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Small group lesson - £60 (10 lessons)
- Individual guitar lesson- £130 (10 Lessons)

# Music Tuition Registration & Contract

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Please pay no later than **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. In addition, you need to complete and return the attached music tuition registration form & contract. Please note that lessons will stop if payment is not received.

## Section A: Pupil Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DoB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_

My child is entitled to Free School Meals (tick/cross)

## Section B: Tuition Information

I wish to register my child for instrumental / vocal tuition.

Instrument (including voice) choice: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to register for instrument hire (Brass, woodwind and strings only)

## Section C: How do you wish to pay your contribution to the fees?

I wish to pay by ParentPay online.

I wish to pay by Cheque (payable to St Wilfrid's RC College) and enclose £\_\_\_\_\_

I wish to pay by cash and enclose £\_\_\_\_\_

## Section D: Signature of Parent / Carer

Please tick the boxes and sign below.

**I confirm that I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions governing instrumental/ vocal tuition lessons and instrumental hire.**

**I confirm that I agree with the amount, including any charges for instrumental hire if applicable.**

**I understand that fees will continue to be charged each term until I contact the school cancel in writing a month before the end of the term.**  and

Please note that if you wish for the lessons to stop at the end of the autumn term you must inform us in writing by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018** otherwise lessons will continue into the spring term.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print full name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Terms and Conditions**

1. All pupils must be registered for instrumental lessons and attend school ensembles and performance events.
2. St Wilfrid's RC College will offer a minimum of 24 lessons over the academic year.
3. These terms and conditions refer to all brass, woodwind, violin, cello, double bass, piano, singing and drum lessons at St Wilfrid's RC College.
4. Failure to pay fees by the due date will result in your child's lessons being suspended until payment is received.
5. If your child is unable to attend a lesson due to exclusion or any reason outside the control of the school (i.e. external trips or forgotten instrument) this will count towards the offered lessons.
6. To cancel your lessons confirm in writing with one month notice before the end of the current term. Fees for the current term will not be refunded even if your child does not attend lessons.
7. Any changes to the instrumental fees will be notified in writing two months before the start of the new term in which the fees apply.

### **School Ensembles**

Membership of the Brass & Wind Band, String Ensemble and Orchestra or choir is free and every pupil who has instrumental or vocal tuition is required to attend rehearsals and to perform at school events. The school is subsidising the cost of instrumental lessons and therefore, all students are expected to contribute to the musical life of the school.

If any student is unable to attend regular rehearsals, reasons must be provided by parents in writing to Mrs Mair (Head of Music). A decision will then be made on whether the school is willing to subsidise lessons for any individuals who this applies to.

## **Fees that apply to the Autumn term 2018 for students entitled to Free School Meals**

Payment is usually required in advance of the start of each term. Please pay no later than **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. In addition, you need to complete and return the attached music tuition registration form & contract. Please note that lessons will stop if payment is not received.

### **Brass, Woodwind & Strings**

**Brass:** Tuba, Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone

**Strings:** Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass

**Woodwind:** Flute, Clarinet and Saxophone

Tuition and instrument hire is provided by South Tyneside Music Service who charge the school per hour. A parental contribution is required as detailed below.

- Tuition Only - £12
- Tuition & Instrument Hire - £16

Students may be taught in individual or group lessons depending on their instrument and ability. The instrumental teachers ensure that longer lessons are given to those who are learning in a group or if it is beneficial due to them working at a higher standard.

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### **Drums**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- **Individual Lesson (20 minutes) - £100 (10 Lessons)**  
*\* Support with fees may be available for this instrument for pupils entitled to Free School Meals who are also taking GCSE and A Level Music. Please contact Mr Mair (Head of Music).*

### **Piano**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- **Individual Lesson (20 minutes) - £100 (10 Lessons)**  
*\*Support with fees may be available for this instrument for pupils entitled to Free School Meals who are also taking GCSE and A Level Music. Please contact Mr Mair (Head of Music).*

### **Singing**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Individual Lesson (30 minutes) - £150 (10 Lessons)
- *\* Support with fees may be available for this instrument for pupils entitled to Free School Meals who are also taking GCSE and A Level Music. Please contact Mr Mair (Head of Music).*

### **Guitar**

Tuition is provided by a private teacher who charges the school per hour. The following fees apply:

- Small group lesson - £60 (10 Lessons)
- Individual guitar lesson- £130 (10 Lessons) (25 mins)  
*\* Support with fees may be for this instrument for pupils entitled to Free School Meals who are also taking GCSE and A Level Music. Please contact Mr Mair (Head of Music).*