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Music newsletter

Dear Parent/Carers,

As our summer term draws to a close, I thought I would write and touch base on information from the music department.

CONCERT

490 children took to the stage of the Lighthouse concert hall last Wednesday and absolutely wowed the audience of 1400 people with their singing, dancing, cheerleading, instrumental performances and musicianship. The children's behaviour was exemplary and I was incredibly proud of all they achieved,

I have always tried to run a music department that is fully inclusive, allowing all children the opportunity to enjoy and thrive in music and I whole heartedly feel that the concert allowed all our children, with a variety of needs and skills, to come together and make some amazing musical memories. These opportunities allow the children to face anxieties and to grow in confidence and develop new skills.

We have a few programmes left from the concert. If you would to purchase a copy for £1, please send me a message via music@teachpoole.com

SEPTEMBER INSTRUMENT LESSONS

If you would like your child to **continue** their current instrument lesson at school, **OR** to sign them up for **new lessons** for September, please complete the link below.

There are a few spaces left, so please do not miss out.

INFANT	JUNIOR	
Drums Guitar Keyboard Toot (like a flute)	Drums Guitar (acoustic and electric) Keyboard Violin Cello Flute Saxophone	Clarinet Dood (like a clarinet) Toot (like a flute) Trumpet Cornet Trombone Singing



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I am thrilled to inform you that our drum teacher, Mr Whatmore, will be returning to teach drum lessons across our four schools in September. We are looking forward to welcoming Mr Whatmore back to our team of wonderful peripatetic teachers.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MUSIC LESSONS

BCP council are asking all parents who are already signed up for Free School Meals to reapply ready for the new academic year. The new scheme will be set into two categories:

Expanded - people on universal credit and over the financial threshold

Targeted – people on universal credit and under the financial threshold

People who are in the 'targeted' category will be entitled to instrument lessons paid for by school.

If you are unsure as to whether your lessons will be covered, please apply and I will inform you in September as to whether your lessons are supported financially by school. If your child's lessons cannot be financially supported by school, you will still have the option to cancel prior to starting lessons.

INSTRUMENT LESSON APPLICATION LINKS

CHJS and CHIS - <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/f9gN5pvHeD>

HJS and AA - <https://forms.office.com/e/5dM19Artvh>

HIRE INSTRUMENT RETURN

Please can I ask that all instruments currently being hired from school are returned before the end of term, unless agreed otherwise with myself.

As I am sure you know, participation, engagement and enjoyment are integral to music education at TEACH Trust and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully.

Mrs R Turner

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Community and Music Performance Director



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