

Baden-Powell & St Peter's CE Junior School

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BPSP Instrumental Tuition Agreement 2026–2027

Instrumental Lessons

At BPSP, we are committed to providing every child who wishes to learn a musical instrument with the opportunity to do so. However, demand for certain instruments and lesson times can be high, particularly at the beginning of the academic year.

If we are unable to offer your child a place immediately, they will be placed on a waiting list and we will contact you as soon as a suitable place becomes available.

Please note that submission of the online application form constitutes a commitment to instrumental tuition and acceptance of the terms outlined in this agreement.

Deposit and Payment

A non-refundable deposit of £40 (£20 for brass instruments) must be received by 17 July 2026 to secure your child's place. If payment is not received by this date, the place may be offered to another pupil on the waiting list.

The remaining balance must be paid by the deadline stated on the invoice.

Invoices for instrumental lessons will be issued at least four weeks before the start of each payment period and must be paid by the specified due date. Prompt payment enables us to secure teaching provision and minimise administrative costs.

If payment is not received by the due date, a reminder will be issued. Where payment remains outstanding, the school reserves the right to suspend or withdraw lessons until the account has been brought up to date. Continued non-payment may result in the pupil's lesson place being withdrawn.

Commitment and Cancellation

We ask that pupils commit to instrumental lessons for the full academic year. Learning an instrument requires time, patience, and regular practice, and a year-long commitment provides the best opportunity for meaningful progress.

If you wish your child to discontinue lessons, we require at least half a term's notice, given by the dates below. Please ensure that all outstanding fees have been paid before ending the tuition agreement.



"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart" Colossians 3:23

To discontinue lessons for the Spring Term:

Notice must be received by Monday 30 November 2026

To discontinue lessons for the Summer Term:

Notice must be received by Monday 15 March 2027

Please note that lesson fees are non-refundable once a term has commenced. We are unable to offer refunds for lessons cancelled part-way through a term.

Attendance and Missed Lessons

Lessons take place during the school day and will be shown on the school timetable. While staff will support pupils in remembering their lesson times, we kindly ask parents and carers to help ensure that children bring both their instrument and any required music to school on the correct day.

As instruments cannot be shared and teaching time cannot be recovered, missed lessons are non-refundable.

Refunds will only be issued where a lesson is cancelled by the school or instrumental teacher. We will always aim to reschedule lessons in the event of absence due to illness wherever possible.

Refunds will not be provided if a lesson is missed due to illness, absence from school, forgotten instruments, or attendance at another activity such as sporting fixtures or school trips event during the scheduled lesson time. We will not charge for school trips where a music lesson could not be rescheduled.

Progress and Communication

An individual music report detailing your child's progress will be provided at the end of the Spring term.

If you have any questions regarding your child's musical development or progress, please contact the school office by email. Your enquiry will be forwarded to the appropriate instrumental teacher.

Instruments and Practice

To support regular practice and musical progress, we strongly recommend that pupils have access to their own instrument.

Children are expected to bring their instrument, music, and any required accessories to each lesson and take them home at the end of the school day. This encourages regular practice and helps ensure instruments are kept safe and well maintained.

Instruments Provided by the School

The school will provide drum kits, keyboards, and pianos for use during lessons. Pupils learning these instruments are not required to bring them into school. We can also hire Brass instruments if needed.

Purchasing or Hiring an Instrument

We recommend avoiding instruments purchased through general retailers or online marketplaces where quality cannot be guaranteed. Poor-quality instruments can make learning more difficult and may hinder a child's progress.

The following suppliers are highly recommended:

Play It Again – Local music shop offering Toots, Doods, JSaxes, woodwind, and brass instruments (hire options available)

Absolute Music

Guitar Mania

Poole Violin Shop

Norman's Musical Instruments