

Baden-Powell & St Peter's CE Junior School

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BPSP Instrumental Contract

- BPSP aim to provide any child wishing to learn a musical instrument the opportunity to do so. At times (particularly at the beginning of a year), there may be an increased demand for the uptake of instrument lessons. If this is the case, and your child cannot be offered a place, your child will be placed on our waiting list and you will be contacted as soon as a place becomes available. Completion of the online application is a commitment to instrumental lessons.
- We are asking that children commit to a whole academic year of tuition. We strongly believe a significant amount of time is necessary to master the basics of any instrument and this takes time and patience. However, if a reason occurs where you need your child to stop lessons, half a term's notice is required. Payment **MUST** be up to date before ceasing the agreement.
- Lessons take place during the school day which will be displayed in school. We ask that the children are supported in remembering their lesson time and instrument, as we can not share instruments at school or refund for missed lessons. The only exception is if we have to cancel a lesson. Lessons can not be refunded for illness or any other absence. Support will be given to the children, to remind them of their instrumental lessons, at school.
- You will receive an individual Music report at the end of the academic year, documenting your child's progress. If you need to communicate any other questions regarding your child's progress, this must be done via email to the school office. We will then pass on any queries to the relevant teacher.
- To aid progression and practice, we advise that instruments are purchased. The children are required to bring their instrument, music etc. to each lesson and to take them home at the end of the day. This helps to encourage regular practice and safe keeping of instruments.
- We will provide a drum kit/keyboard/piano for lessons. Children do not need to bring these instruments in to school. Please note that we strongly advise that instruments are not purchased through eBay or shops such as Argos. We cannot guarantee the quality of these instruments and they can often hinder the child's progress. Below are some businesses who we would highly recommend.



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

- Play it again. A local music shop for Toots, Doods, JSaxes, woodwind and brass. (Hire options also available)
- Absolute Music
- Guitar Mania
- Poole Violin shop
- Norman's online shop