

Dear Parent/Carer

Peripatetic Instrumental Tuition – Entrust Music Service Staffordshire

Ryecroft CE Middle School is working in partnership with Entrust Music Service Staffordshire to provide music lessons for pupils. Learning a musical instrument is great fun and can be challenging, while also developing valuable life skills. It can lead to a lifelong interest in music, potential career paths, opportunities to work as part of a team, and the chance to make new friends.

Your child may have already begun learning an instrument at school, or at a previous school. Pupils may have also watched a demonstration assembly at school, and we would now like to offer them the opportunity to learn a musical instrument through group lessons.

Lesson Structure

Children are taught either:

- Individually for 10 minutes, or
- In groups of two pupils for 20 minutes, or
- In groups of three pupils for 30 minutes

Additional Information

- **Lessons available:**
 - Woodwind: Saxophone, Clarinet and Flute
 - Strings: Violin, Ukulele and Guitar
 - Other: Piano, Brass, Drums and Vocal
- Most instruments are available to hire at no charge from the county. However, more popular instruments such as keyboards and drums may need to be purchased prior to commencing lessons.
- Financial support may be available for pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium (conditions apply).
- Pupils may learn **only one instrument** during school time to avoid impacting other lessons.
- Due to the large number of pupils taking music lessons in school, we expect pupils to **check their lesson times and take responsibility for attending**.
- Please encourage your child to practise regularly at home in order to maximise their progress. For beginners, we recommend practising three to four times per week for approximately 15 minutes, increasing as pupils progress to more challenging music.

Cost of Lessons

The price for lessons will be **£96.00 per term**. Payment is required **before the start of each term**.

Payment Schedule

September – **£144.00**

(£96.00 for Autumn term's lessons plus £48.00 deposit)

Due by Friday 17th July 2026 via Arbor (via School Shop)

January – **£96.00**

For Spring term's lessons

Due by Friday 11th December 2026 via Arbor (via School Shop)

April – **£48.00**

(£96.00 for Summer term's lessons minus £48.00 deposit refund)

Due by Friday 12th March 2027 via Arbor (via School Shop)

If your child begins lessons during the academic year, fees will be calculated accordingly.

Please note that at least half a term's written notice must be given to Mrs Whitehall via email r.whitehall@i2e.org.uk if your child no longer requires lessons. Providing half a term's notice is given, the £48.00 deposit will be returned if your child wishes to cease lessons during the school year.

All fees must be paid through your Arbor account.

This represents excellent value for money for the quality of lessons pupils receive. If your child would like to commence lessons, please return the **attached documents to Mrs Whitehall in the main school office or via email r.whitehall@i2e.org.uk**

If you have any queries regarding the lessons or purchasing an instrument, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely



Mrs A Grattage
Executive Headteacher

Ryecroft CE Middle School
Instrumental/Vocal Tuition

To: Mrs R Whitehall

I have read the relevant information regarding instrumental tuition and would like my child to be included in the instrumental tuition scheme at the earliest opportunity, this will be subject to availability of instrumental teaching staff.

Please indicate choice of instrument/Vocal

Signed Date

Parent/Carer of Year Group
(Person with Parental Responsibility)

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Terms & Conditions

- Music fees are payable termly, in advance of each term via Arbor.
- If your child wishes to cease lessons, then the school will require at least half a term's written notice. Please send this addressed to Mrs Whitehall. On receipt of this notice, £48.00 will be refunded to your Arbor account. No refund will be given for insufficient/no notice.
- If payment is not made within the required period, the school has the right to withdraw your child from the music lessons.

Please sign these terms and conditions below and return to:

Mrs R Whitehall, Administrative Assistant

I accept the terms & conditions for music tuition fees

Signed Date

Parent/Carer of Year Group