

HARMONIA WOODWIND LESSONS

Dear parents/carers,

It's been a great year for woodwind with 7 flute players, 2 saxophonists and a clarinettist taking up lessons. Of these we have already had a merit at grade 2, two merits at grade 1, and another two children sitting their grade 1 in July.

Lessons are available to year 3 to 6 on flute, clarinet, saxophone and recorder.

Lesson rates

Individual lesson (20 mins) £11

Individual lesson (30 mins) £16.50

Mrs Body aims to provide a minimum of 30 lessons during the year, usually split around 10-12 per term. Lessons take place during the school day and are arranged on a rota so that children don't miss the same lesson each week. Efforts will be made to avoid taking children out of lessons where they need extra support.

For new starters it is important to consider whether your child is ready to learn an instrument. They will need to practise regularly (5 practices per week earns a sticker!), starting with ten minutes per day for beginners. No practice means no progress and therefore no enthusiasm! Most primary aged children need reminding to practise.

Please see the reverse for details of costs. Instruments can be bought through school (VAT free), hired from a music shop (though this can be expensive), or bought 2nd hand - please don't buy without asking Mrs Body for advice! Mrs Body has a small beginner flute and some C clarinets for sale or hire.

Please remember you will also need to pay for a music book and a practice diary (expect to spend under £10 per term). Clarinets and Saxophones require reeds on a regular basis which cost around £1.50 each.

Lesson fees are billed at the beginning of each term and should be paid by the 2nd lesson. There is no refund for children missing lessons (although Mrs Body will try to work around school trips). Lessons missed by the teacher will be refunded on the next term's bill or rescheduled.

The interest form should be returned by Friday 24th June. Mrs Body will then meet with the children and make recommendations for instrument sizes etc. Smaller children have the option of smaller, lighter C clarinets to start with, and flutes with curved heads to shorten the length, or a kinderflute which is smaller and lighter. Alto saxophone is only suitable for children who can reach the keys! See overleaf for details of each instrument, along with suggested ages.

Please do contact Mrs Body if you have any queries. You can either leave a message for her at school or preferably email her direct (mail@harmoniamusic.com).



Instrument	type	New price for beginner model	2 nd hand price (ebay sourced) for better model	Hire price (tutor supplied) NOT shop
Flute <i>Smaller curved heads are usual for under year 4. They come with a straight head for later!</i>	Curved (small) + straight head Or Kinderflute age 7+	£129 (minus VAT) £129 (minus VAT)		£20 per term 1 available
	Straight head only (full size) age 8+	£109 (minus VAT)	Yamaha 211 £125-150 Trevor James TJX10 £120-140	
Clarinet <i>C clarinets are great to start on at any age!</i>	C lyons clarinet (small model) age 7+		£30-50 second hand on ebay	£10 per term (Mrs Body) 1 available
	Bb clarinet (full size) age 8+	£105 (minus VAT)	Buffet B12 or B10 £120	-
Saxophone AGE 8+	Eb Alto age 8+	£299 (minus VAT)	Trevor James £300 Yamaha £300	-
Recorder	Descant Yamaha YRS302BIII age 7+	£12	-	-
	Treble (larger) Yamaha YRA302BIII age 8+	£22	-	-



Instrument Information

All prices quoted are from www.johnpacker.co.uk

INSTRUMENT INTEREST FORM

Name of child:

Current Year Group:

Instrument choice:

flute saxophone recorder clarinet

Type of lesson required:

20 minute individual (£11) 30 minute individual (£16.50)

Purchase preference:

buy new buy 2nd hand

hire from Mrs Body hire from shop/borrow/already own)

I understand that lessons are billed at the start of each term and that a month's written notice is required to stop lessons.

Contact email address:

Signed

Please return this form to the school office by Friday 24th June