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## Secondary – Instrumental Lessons

Dear parent / carer

In order for your child to continue taking up the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument or to undertake singing lessons within our school, we write to inform you that the **payment item is now open**. These lessons are delivered by peripatetic music teachers available to us at Hessle High School. As you are aware, we have agreed to continue offering financial support and so these lessons are subsidised by the school and **remain at a cost of £85 per term**. However, to reduce the financial risk to the school, if you have a balance outstanding from a previous term, the next term's lessons will be unable to go ahead until the balance is paid.

If you know in advance that your child will be absent for a lesson (for example, a school trip), please inform the music teacher as soon as possible. Lessons missed with no warning cannot usually be made up and will not be refunded. In the event of the teacher's absence, the lesson will be rescheduled.

Lessons last for 30 minutes and take place during the school day. Lesson times will change regularly to avoid coinciding with the same academic lesson. A timetable for lessons will be displayed outside the music rooms and it is the student's responsibility to look at the timetable to know what time to attend each week.

The cost of lessons will be **£85 per term** and this sum must be paid at the start of each school term i.e. 1 September 2024 for the Autumn Term, 1 January 2025 for the Spring term and 1 April 2025 for the Summer Term. **Please note, due to the Christmas break, the January payment deadline will be Friday 10 January 2025.**

Payment is to be made via the Arbor parent portal. To do this, please log into the portal and search for School Shop/Products. By making this payment, you are consenting to your child attending these music lessons.

If you have not yet activated your parent portal, please click [here](#)

The music teachers are engaged on a termly basis and, therefore, if you wish to cease your child's music lessons, we require at least one half-term's notice (approximately six weeks). Cancellation within that period will, unfortunately, incur a further charge. For example, to cease lessons at the end of:

- Autumn Term (Christmas break) please give notice by October half term
- Spring Term (Easter break) please give notice by February half term
- Summer Term (Summer break) please give notice by May half term.

Should you purchase your child an instrument, it is advisable that you ensure it is covered by insurance (usually your home insurance) in case of damage or theft on school property. The school cannot accept responsibility for any musical instruments left in school and we do not have insurance which covers privately owned or hired instruments.

Performing to a live audience is extremely beneficial to any musician. We hope that many instrumentalists and singers will wish to participate in concerts throughout the school year.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A Webb', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mrs A Webb  
Head of Performing Arts