

David Woods Music Tuition Contract

Clarinet/ Saxophone/ Flute/ Piano

This page to be returned to the Instrumental Teacher at NEXT LESSON. I CAN'T TEACH WITHOUT IT.

Please detach and keep the second page for your reference.

Any questions, email- dmwoodsmusic@gmail.com

This agreement is between ...*David Woods*... (teacher) and (Parent/Carer).

David Woods...will provide instrumental lessons (as outlined below)

to.....(Pupil) who attends (school) in

year.....learning the (instrument to study)

Please tick your preferred lesson length. There will be between 4-7 lessons, billed each half term.

A shared lesson (2 pupils for 20 minutes) £4.66 per pupil per lesson
Please note this option may not be available if pupils of similar ability cannot be matched.
If this is the case, I will let you know that only 15 minute lessons are available.
I may choose to run groups of 3 pupils for 30 mins at this rate.

An individual 15 minute lesson: £7.00 per pupil per lesson

An individual 20 minute lesson: £9.33 per pupil per lesson

An individual 30 minute lesson £14.00 per pupil per lesson

If it is not possible for your choice of lesson length to be met, you will be informed before lessons commence.

I have read and accepted the conditions printed on the two pages of this contract, and understand that they can be varied only with the agreement of both parties.

Parent/Carer print name:.....

Signature of Parent/Carer **Date**.....

Parent/Carer email address- this will be used to communicate regarding your child's lessons. As it is difficult to communicate with so many parents by text/phone, please provide an email address.

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Additional Contract Information

All instrumental teachers should provide a contract before commencing lessons. I have attempted to make this as clear and concise as possible whilst keeping to Music Partnership and Musicians Union guidelines. Please feel free to get in touch with me if you have any queries about this contract. -David Woods

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Encouragement to practice Regular practice is essential if a pupil is to make progress. Parents can support their child in this, for example, by:

- showing interest in what they are learning
- encouraging regular daily practice (at least ten minutes on five days each week)
- providing a suitable space for the practice to be done
- checking that the instrument and music are taken to school on the day of the lesson
- providing extra encouragement when progress is slower because of particular problems
- checking and signing practice diaries regularly

Music Centre Opportunities The instrumental teacher may, when appropriate, suggest that your child might like to join the local Music Centre where opportunities are available to play with others of a similar standard in bands and orchestras. Experience shows that young players gain an enormous amount from these activities, and that their progress is enhanced considerably.

Buying an instrument for your child The Music Partnership wishes to encourage pupils to buy their own instruments wherever possible. Advice will be given by the teacher, and a number of options are available.

Borrowing an instrument It is sometimes (but not always) possible for a pupil to borrow an instrument through the Music Partnership. Parents may be responsible for any repairs to the instrument which arise as the result of lack of care. Repairs should not be undertaken without permission from the instrumental teacher. The one off fee of £30 for instrument loan is non-refundable and your child can keep the instrument as long as having lessons from the teacher who ordered the instrument.

Timetabling arrangements The teacher will aim to provide at least 10 lessons each term. The exact number will depend on the availability of the teacher and on the length of an individual term.

Invoicing arrangements The lesson fees will remain the same for the whole of the academic year. An invoice for the appropriate half-termly fees will be sent home with your child at the commencement of lessons. It is the parents responsibility to check for these invoices. It has been found that pupils taking them home is more reliable than the postal service! If the payment date is not met, then lessons will be discontinued or a late payment fee applied- but the lessons received will remain payable.

It is suggested that payments are placed in the instrument case on the day of an instrumental lesson.

On a letter at the start of each academic year, and on invoice reminder slips, the payment due dates are provided for your reference.

Discontinuing instrumental lessons It is inevitable that some pupils may decide after a period that they do not wish to continue receiving instrumental tuition. Where a decision is made to discontinue lesson, notice must be given two weeks before the end of a half term. If lessons are ceased mid term then the invoice for that term remain payable.

Problems and Questions Please contact the instrumental teacher, (by email for the quickest response) who will be pleased to discuss anything regarding lessons or your child's progress. Should you provide an email address above, your teacher will email just to welcome your child to lessons and open a channel of communication that can be invaluable in helping your child gain the most from instrumental lessons.