



# The Abbey

The independent school for girls aged 3-18.

**INDIVIDUAL MUSIC LESSONS  
INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL**

**JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**2019 - 2020**

## **Instrumental and Vocal lessons – Junior School**

Individual instrumental lessons are available in the Junior School as follows:

From Upper Preparatory - Piano, Violin and Cello

From Lower I - Piano, Violin, Cello, Viola, Guitar, Harp, Flute, Cornet, Trumpet, Horn, Saxophone, Trombone, Euphonium, Singing, Clarinet, and Tenoroon/Bassoon  
(other instruments may be available once girls move to the Senior School)

NB - Oboe is available in Upper II and Lower III only

There are a few School instruments that may be hired for up to a year. This service is offered so that parents can monitor their daughter's interest and ability before they purchase an instrument. A termly fee is charged for hire (see below).

The Music Department operates a rota system and girls miss a different lesson or part of a lesson each week. Most of our teachers have a large rota which ensures that girls will not miss the same lesson more than once a term. This system works very well in academic schools. It avoids girls having to miss one subject on a permanent basis, which is often neither desirable nor popular. Girls should see the Head of Junior Music should a lesson need to be changed.

We aim to give 30 lessons during the School year but, because of the different lengths of our three School terms, we do not necessarily give 10 lessons in each term. Every lesson is recorded on an individual register that the girls sign each week.

**The School requires a minimum of one term's notice in writing to discontinue Music Lessons, ie written notice must be received on or before the first day of a term to finish at the end of that term.**

The Junior School has an orchestra that meets once a week before School. It can usually accommodate girls who have been learning for about six months. There are also Guitar, Brass, Clarinet/Saxophone, Harp, String and Flute Ensembles, which are directed by the visiting instrumental teachers. All girls are invited to join any of these groups, whether they receive their tuition in School or not.

### **Tuition Fees for the Academic Year 2019 – 2020**

£240.00 per instrument per term for a 30-minute individual lesson

### **Instrument Hire**

£50.00 per instrument per term

**Please do not send any money at this time.**

Mrs Rachel Dent  
Head

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**INDIVIDUAL MUSIC LESSONS**

I wish my daughter ..... Form / Year .....

to have individual lessons in the following instrument(s): .....

**NB :**

In Upper Preparatory, **only** Piano, Violin or Cello lessons are available  
Oboe is available for girls in Upper II and Lower III **only**

Has she learnt before?                      Yes                      No  
(please circle)

If yes, please state her approximate grade .....

Does she have her own instrument?      Yes                      No  
(please circle)

If NO:

I would like advice about purchase or private hire of an instrument.

I would be interested in hiring a School instrument and understand that this would be for a **maximum of one year**. I also understand that the supply of School instruments is limited and this request will be subject to availability.

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I have read and agree to the terms and conditions above.

Signed ..... Date .....

**To be returned to: Mrs N Brady, Music Administrator, The Abbey School,  
Kendrick Road, Reading, Berkshire, RG1 5DZ**

**BY FRIDAY 24 MAY**

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