

# QEGS music department: Piano lessons 2020/21

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We have a busy and vibrant music department offering individual lessons in a wide range of instruments in addition to curriculum music.

Piano tuition is charged on a termly basis and we depend on parents paying promptly. Invoices are emailed home in the first few weeks of each term (September/January/March) and payment is made through ParentPay.

## Instrumental tuition fees 2020/21

30 minute lesson - £18.40, which is £214.67 per term (3 terms per academic year)

20 minute lesson - £12.27, which is £143.11 per term (3 terms per academic year)

If your child attracts Pupil Premium funding you may request some financial assistance with your tuition fees. You can do this by writing to Mrs Divers, Deputy Headteacher.

Lessons take place during normal school hours on a rota basis to avoid students missing the same lesson each week. A great deal of commitment is required and students and parents are asked to think carefully before applying. It is not advisable to have lessons in school as well as from a private teacher on the same instrument – conflicting styles of teaching are very confusing! In addition to peripatetic lessons, QEGS supports students in taking graded exams and there are aural test books in the library for students to borrow to help with exam preparation. We also support students in preparation for grade 5 theory.

Due to Covid-19, piano lessons will be treated with as much care as other lessons in school, with enhanced cleaning and social distancing. If you would like to know the details of this, please email Mrs Addis.

## How to book lessons

**To book piano lessons from September 2020, please write to or email Mrs Addis**

**([saddisv@qegs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:saddisv@qegs.lincs.sch.uk)).** Please include the following information: student name, student form (if known), current standard (or beginner), information about current teacher if applicable.

By requesting lessons, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of instrumental tuition including the cancellation policy.

## Piano tuition cancellation policy

If students decide they no longer want instrumental tuition, **I must be informed in writing as follows:**

- To stop lessons from 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020, notice must be received by 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- To stop lessons from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021, notice must be received by 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020
- To stop lessons from 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021, notice must be received by 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

- To stop lessons at the end of the academic year, notice must be received by 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Please note that it is not possible to cancel lessons at any other point in the academic year – once the booking is made your invoices must be paid even if your child chooses not to attend.** To enable us to address any cancellations promptly, please make sure that cancellation notice letters are emailed to Mrs Addis ([saddisv@qegs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:saddisv@qegs.lincs.sch.uk)) or handed in at the music office – the piano teacher is not responsible for organising lessons, invoices or contracts.

Learning an instrument is extremely enjoyable and highly rewarding. Students develop many useful life skills as well as specific music skills and techniques. The music department is fully supported by all QEGS staff and is a busy and exciting place to be, viewing all music styles, instruments and abilities equally. A large proportion of students at QEGS have instrumental lessons in school, and many have instrumental lessons with teachers out of school too.

We also offer instrumental tuition for stringed instruments, woodwind, brass, singing, guitar, and drums through Lincolnshire Music Service. If you would like more information about this provision, please email Mrs Addis.

If you would like any more information or have any queries regarding instrumental tuition or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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