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## Bryanston School Music Department

### Terms and Conditions for Co-Curricular Music Lessons (2020/21)

#### **Charges**

One to One music lessons (35 mins) as part of co-curricular activities are charged at £305 per term, based on an average of 10 music lesson opportunities per term. Should pupils have received less than 30 lesson opportunities per school year, then the final bill will be adjusted at the end of the summer term. Scholars and Exhibitioners are not charged.

Music lessons at Bryanston School are not timetabled across academic lessons but have dedicated slots.

#### **Notice Periods**

Music lessons can only be discontinued or changed from one instrument to another at the end of a term. If music lessons are to be discontinued, notice must be sent to the music department by the end of the half term holiday using the cancellation form on the parents' tab of the Bryanston webpage:

<https://www.bryanston.co.uk/form/?pid=911&form=1289>

If the deadline is missed, the tuition charge for the full next term is payable, due to contractual commitments to the music teachers.

#### **Special Schemes for year D:**

**Scheme A** – For one of the instruments included under the scheme, pupils in D receive two terms of free tuition, usually the autumn and spring term, provided the pupil is a member of a school instrumental ensemble at Bryanston and attends the relevant rehearsals (and associated concert/s). The school reserves the right to reinstate charges for the second term if the pupil does not attend sufficient ensemble rehearsals. Ensembles will be allocated in September. If the school cannot allocate an ensemble, the pupil will not be charged. Lessons will continue as full chargeable lessons into the summer term unless notice is given by end of spring half term.

**Scheme B** – For one of the instruments included under the scheme, pupils in D receive free half lessons for one term, usually the autumn term. Lessons will continue as full chargeable lessons into the spring term unless notice is given by autumn half term. Pupils cannot drop lessons during the autumn term but can choose not to continue for a second term.

The music department will endeavour to allocate the instrument of first choice. Should a study be oversubscribed and the second choice instrument be allocated, parents will be notified. Lessons are either taught as half periods or in pairs. A school hire instrument will be provided at no cost to parents.

**Scheme C** – Lessons are the same as regular one to one music lessons in years C-A3. The notice period above applies. Pupils can have tuition in more than one instrument.

### **Examinations**

Examinations are not compulsory but a means of tracking progress and useful addition to the curriculum. Exams are accredited by various exam boards, including ABRSM, Trinity, RGT and others. The music department handles the organisation and registration for exams, any arising fees are added to the bill at the end of the term. Under exam board rules, if a pupil withdraws from an exam, they forfeit the entry fee unless a doctor's note is produced to prove medical reasons.

### **Instrument Hire**

Instruments are available for hire at £30 per term. This charge is also applicable for piano, drum kit and percussion, for the maintenance of these specific instruments.

Guitar hire is only available to D. Students in C, B, A3 and A2 will be expected to provide their own guitar at school – given the costs of buying a guitar versus hiring one, this usually is more cost effective for students.