

9<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re: Year 7 Instrumental and singing lessons**

Following on from the success of the Year 7 concert before half term, we are writing to make parents aware of the excellent opportunities for students to learn an instrument at The Holt. As well as our full time teaching staff, we are fortunate to have seven peripatetic music teachers who come and teach a wide variety of instruments on a weekly basis.

The instruments we currently offer tuition in are:

Violin	Viola	Flute
Clarinet	Guitar (classical and electric)	Saxophone
Voice	Drum kit	Piano

Instrumental and singing lessons provide an excellent way to develop musical skills further as well as giving opportunities to join instrumental ensembles to make music with others. Now that your daughter has settled into the school, it is an excellent time to start trying something new.

Our instrumental teachers work through Berkshire Maestros and teach a range of individual or small group lessons. If your daughter would be interested, you should go to the Berkshire Maestros website: [www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk](http://www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk) and go to the 'register here' section. Berkshire Maestros offer both individual and small group tuition; the costs can be found on the website. In some cases, the school and Berkshire Maestros can offer financial assistance for the cost of lessons. If the school receives Pupil Premium funding for your daughter, you will be sent a further letter giving information on the financial assistance we can offer.

We do hope your daughter will seriously consider these opportunities, and if you do have any questions about instrumental and vocal tuition, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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