

9th November 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 7 Subsidised vocal and instrumental tuition

At The Holt School we run a scheme to offer all our pupils for whom we receive Pupil Premium the opportunity to have vocal or instrumental tuition at no cost to parents. I am writing to explain how your daughter can access this excellent opportunity should she wish to take advantage of it.

The school is able to fund small **group lessons** where sufficient demand exists with teachers through Berkshire Maestros. Although instrumental hire is not included in the funding, Berkshire Maestros do also offer good rates for instrument hire. Singing lessons would obviously not require instrument hire.

We currently have teachers from Berkshire Maestros who provide the following tuition: Voice (singing), Guitar, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Drum kit, Piano/Keyboard and Violin.

The application process is fairly simple. If your daughter is interested, you need to complete the following steps:

1. Email the following details to Mr Gray (a.gray@holt.wokingham.sch.uk):
 - a. Student Name
 - b. Student's year and tutor group
 - c. The instrument that your daughter would be interested in learning.

PLUS:

2. Complete an online enrolment at <https://www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk> (see tab: Register Here) and where it asks for group type, select '**standard group rate**'. Although it quotes a price, it will not ask for payment at this stage and payment will be arranged with the school at a later date.

I will then let you know, subject to interest, if a group place can be provided,

School funding for lessons will be reviewed regularly and will be subject to your daughter's regular attendance at lessons.

If you have any queries about the process, please ask your daughter to see Mr Gray in the music office, or email a.gray@holt.wokingham.sch.uk. I do hope your daughter will be keen to take up this excellent opportunity.

Yours sincerely



Mr Andrew Gray
Head of Music Department