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Dear Parent/Carer

Peripatetic Music Lessons

There are so many benefits to be gained from learning a musical instrument... As well as developing your discipline skills, you boost your brain's capacity, learn how to be more organised and be a team player, not to forget enhancing your mathematical skills. All of this, and it's fun as well! We are very lucky here at Longsands Academy to be able to offer a wide variety of music instrumental lessons through our peripatetic teacher team. These lessons take place during the normal school day and are timetabled on a rotational basis to ensure that your child does not miss the same lessons each week. You can choose from lots of different instruments, including:

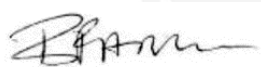
Piano	Violin	Flute	Trumpet	Classical Guitar
Voice	Viola	Clarinet	Trombone	Electric Guitar
Drum Kit	Cello	Saxophone	French Horn	Bass Guitar

And that's not all... Other instruments can be taught as well, so feel free to contact us if you have a specific instrument in mind that is not listed above that you would like your child to learn. Payment amount and method varies according to the instrumental teacher and whether they are employed by Cambridgeshire Music Service or self-employed and working within the school. The cost would be between £8.34-11.34 per 20-minute individual lesson depending on the instrument; the exact costs will be discussed when the teacher makes contact with you.

If your son/daughter is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, you may be able to access financial support for 50% of the cost of lessons and 20% of the cost of instruments. Pupil Premium funding is available for students who have been eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years, are looked after or have parents in the armed forces. Further advice on eligibility for Pupil Premium funding is available on our website. If you are not eligible for Pupil Premium but are currently experiencing financial hardship, the Academy may be able to support you.

To apply, please complete this link <https://forms.office.com/r/b30VWrGsAJ> or if you should have any questions, please contact me via bryn.parkes@astrea-longsands.org

Kind regards



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