

STEP 6: INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC – TUITION FORM

The opportunity to learn a musical instrument at Dulwich Hamlet is very popular although this is definitely not compulsory and the children will still get excellent music teaching in their curriculum music time. While very rewarding, learning an instrument is hard work and this should be considered before signing your child up as it is a journey that they can begin at any point in their time with us.

Within the first few weeks, before any selections are made, the children get a chance to see and hear all of the instruments we teach in extra-curricular lessons at school. This often helps them to get interested in instruments they've never considered before, which is useful as some are physically better suited to individual children than others. Once you have submitted the form, your child will be seen as soon as possible by members of our music staff and a discussion is held with the pupil as to their preferences, if relevant. You will be notified if there is a space available or if your child will be added to the waiting list.

The children are taught in small groups of 2-4 for 25 minutes a week, for which there is a termly fee, covering both tuition and loan of an instrument. Ownership of an instrument will not be a consideration and parents are advised not to purchase an instrument thinking that it will secure a place. Ability to pay is not a criterion and parents are advised to apply for lessons, and discuss financial support with the Headteacher once their child has been offered a place.

If you have existing private instrumental music tuition, we would encourage you to continue with this and allow the limited school-based tuition places to go towards those who have not got satisfactory arrangements in place. We strongly advise parents against children having music lessons both in and out of school on the same instrument, as teaching methods can greatly vary and cause much confusion for a child in their early stages of learning an instrument. For children who have alternative music tuition outside school, we are keen that they are involved in school music on the same basis as those who are taught in school; please see the Ensemble Form on the reverse of this page.

Child's Name: Class:

1. I would like my child to begin music lessons at Dulwich Hamlet Junior School as soon as there is a place available:

I would like the music staff to choose the most suitable instrument for my child. (Please continue to question 2)

I have a preference as which instrument (or family of instrument) they take up.

(There is limited availability in some instruments so your child may need to wait to start.

Please discuss this with your child before submitting this form then select any/all instruments you are interested in your child learning.)

BRASS	STRINGS	WOODWIND
Tutors: Mr Ewens and Mrs Brant <input type="checkbox"/> no preference <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet <input type="checkbox"/> Cornet <input type="checkbox"/> Tenor Horn <input type="checkbox"/> French Horn <input type="checkbox"/> Euphonium <input type="checkbox"/> Trombone	Tutors: Mr Widden, Ms Holford and Mr Duff <input type="checkbox"/> no preference <input type="checkbox"/> Violin <input type="checkbox"/> Cello <input type="checkbox"/> Acoustic Guitar <input type="checkbox"/> Bass Guitar (available to children year 4 and above)	Tutors: Mrs Brant and Mr Beaney <input type="checkbox"/> no preference <input type="checkbox"/> Descant Recorder <input type="checkbox"/> Flute <input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet <input type="checkbox"/> Oboe <input type="checkbox"/> Saxophone (available to children year 4 and above)

2. Please tell us of any previous playing experience, if any:

Parent/carer signature:

Date: