



MUSICAL INSTRUMENT TUITION SCHEME

Exmouth Community College Music Department
**ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT
THE COLLEGE MUSICAL INSTRUMENT
TUITION SCHEME**



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How often are the lessons?

30 lessons per year, taught weekly.

When and where do the lessons take place?

During school time at school. Usually on a rota so that the same curriculum area is not disrupted too often.

Who will teach my child?

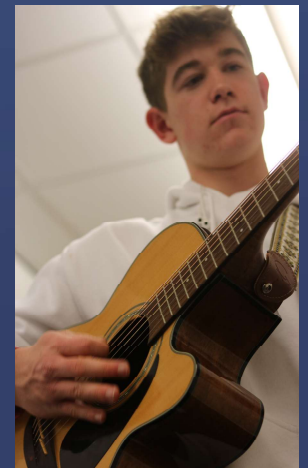
Exmouth Community College employs a team of specialist teachers from the local area. They are experts in their chosen field with much experience and are monitored by music staff within the Learning Community.

How are the lessons organised?

Lessons will start at the beginning of an academic term (i.e. September, January or after Easter) but there may be the opportunity to start after October half term.

There are three types of lessons. The choice is yours. (The only advice from us is that it is less beneficial to have group tuition on piano/keyboard and percussion, due to the nature of the instrument)

- ***Group lesson** – 30 minutes (Teachers will endeavour to place students in a group, however, if this is impractical children will receive a shorter individual lesson – 15mins)
- **Individual lesson** – 20 minutes
- **Individual lesson** – 30 minutes



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How can I get an instrument?

Hiring - Devon Music Service. Contact them directly on 01392 385600

Buying

- Trevada Music in Camborne, Cornwall. Please ask for details
- “Musicale” offer a superb hire/buy scheme, please ask Mr. Stock for details
- Assisted Purchase Scheme (ex-VAT prices). This is only available if your child’s school is not an Academy. Contact a musical instrument supplier and decide which instrument you would like to purchase. Then write to your school’s music co-ordinator asking them to order the instrument. Give the following details: Instrument model and make, any specific instrument details, supplier details and ex-VAT price. Include a cheque for the ex-VAT price made payable to your child’s school. The music co-ordinator will then do the rest.
NB, the child must either be having regular instrument lessons within school or be making ‘a substantial contribution to school musical life’.

Where can my child keep his/her instrument?

Each school will have its own system – check with your music co-ordinator.

Please be aware that Devon County Council/Academies do NOT provide insurance for your instrument. It is YOUR responsibility to arrange this for yourselves. British Reserve/Allianz Cornhill is a recommended insurer of musical instruments but you may be covered on your household insurance.

How do I start/stop lessons?

To start lessons – complete the enclosed application form and return it to Mr. Stock at Exmouth Community College. You will then be sent an invoice with a direct debit mandate to be completed and returned. Lessons only begin once payment has been received.

To stop lessons – please notify Mr. Stock at Exmouth Community College IN WRITING giving four weeks’ notice. It is not enough just to tell the instrument teacher. Any money owed will be refunded and any outstanding fees will need to be paid.

How will I know how the lessons are going?

There will be regular notes in your child’s practice book. In addition you will receive a report during the year and an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher at an informal concert evening.

Absence

If the teacher is absent the lesson will be made up to deliver 30 over the year.

If the student is absent due to illness the lesson will not be made up, as the teacher is still present to teach the student.

If the student is absent from their lesson and informs the teacher in advance the teacher will endeavour to make up the lesson.



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