Northwick Park Primary and

Nursery Academy

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Dear Parents,

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Instrumental Lessons

At present, many of our children are receiving individual instrumental lessons in school. Learning a musical instrument gives children an opportunity to develop new skills, to express themselves and opens the way for many opportunities later on. Research has shown that there is a link between children's learning of music and a significant improvement in their abilities in other subject areas.

Essex Music Services can provide an excellent team of music tutors who come into schools to provide individual and small group tuition on a range of musical instruments. The lessons are very reasonably priced and are currently £70.00 a term for 10 individual 15 minute lessons. The Music Service also run a voucher scheme for families on income support, please see <u>www.essexmusichub.org.uk</u> \rightarrow Parents/Carers \rightarrow Tuition Vouchers \rightarrow Online Application for details. Please book to see Miss Goldsmith if you need assistance.

We are currently offering lessons on flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, cello, piano and drums. We offer guitar lessons on a different scheme, please ask the office for details. The school has a small collection of instruments that we can lend and it is possible to hire instruments from Essex Music (also at a reduced rate for those on income support).

For a child to succeed in music they will need to practise outside of their weekly lesson. This allows them to consolidate the skills they have learnt and the tutor to move onto new skills. We will be working in school to give the children as many opportunities as possible to perform both individually and as part of larger groups.

If you are interested in your child having instrumental lessons, please return the slip below as soon as possible. If you require any more details on any of the information in this letter, please contact Miss Goldsmith.

Yours sincerely,

Miss S. Goldsmith.

 Instrumental Lessons
 Please complete and return to Miss Goldsmith

 Child's Name:
 Class:

 I am interested in my child learning the
 Class:

 (please list instruments in order of preference).
 I understand that replying to this letter does not mean my child will start immediately and that lessons will be charged for on a termly basis.

 Signed:
 Parent/Guardian