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Friday 13 June 2025

Enfield Music Service (EMS) lessons starting September 2025

Dear Parents,

In the summer term it's time to think ahead to September and whether you would like your child to start learning a musical instrument or continue learning.

The following is to inform you about funding you may wish to access for your child.

The Government provides additional funding for children who are currently eligible for, or who have in the past been eligible for free school meals, and for those in Local Authority Care. This funding is called the Pupil Premium and we receive this funding for your child. At Grange Park we use the Pupil Premium in a variety of ways to promote the learning of children who are eligible for it. This includes covering the full or part costs of musical tuition through the Enfield Music Service.

Learning a musical instrument can be not only an exciting new hobby but can help improve memory, discipline and perseverance when practising, and bring pleasure to others when performing. Enfield Music Service offers individual, paired and group lessons for children at the same level.

If you wish to enrol your child in lessons, Grange Park will pay the full cost of a weekly group lesson which for the autumn term is £88. There are 11 lessons in the autumn term starting the week commencing 16 September.

A group lesson means your child will have 20 minutes a week with one or two other children in the group. If you wish for your child to have individual lessons you will just need to pay the difference of £66 as the full price is £154 without funding. If there is no one to have group lessons with, EMS will call you to see if you wish to top up and have individual lessons.

Parents of children currently in Y1 going into Year 2 in September can start their children on piano, keyboard, violin or recorder (though recorder is taught in Y3 in the school). Children in year 3 can also learn the above plus viola, cello, clarineo (a lightweight clarinet), guitar. Children in year 4 can learn the above plus drums, flute, clarinet, (although they will be learning clarinet in lesson time), saxophone, double bass. Children in year 5 and 6 can learn all the above plus bassoon, or have singing lessons. Unfortunately there is no brass tutor available at the moment so please don't ask for trumpet or other brass instrument lessons.

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All lessons need to be booked on the <u>Enfield Music Service website</u>. If you have already created an account, you can book easily: click on Sign in then Store



New customers will need to create a **new account** on their first visit to the Music Store by clicking on the "New Customer" link at the top right hand corner of the screen. Further information and guidance can be found in the FAQs: here. If you already have an account you can easily book lessons this way.

To enrol your child for lessons, please email the school office first, stating the name of your child and which instrument they would like to learn and declaring that your child has free school meals. The office will complete a form, I will sign this for you and then email it to you so that you can upload this to the Enfield Music Service website when you book the lessons.

Hiring an instrument can be arranged later for a small cost per term.

Should you need to contact **Enfield Music Service** please email enfieldmusicservice@enfield.gov.uk or call 020 8807 8881. Further information and guidance can be found in the FAQs: here

The deadline for booking lessons for the autumn term 2024 is Tuesday 1 July

Missed lessons:

If your child is absent due to illness on the day of their lesson, there is no refund or lesson made up for this. The school provides EMS tutors with a list of upcoming trips so that other arrangements can be made to have their lessons at a different time. However, as per the information sheet sent out by EMS at the time of booking, it is the parent's responsibility to give their child's tutor 2 week's notice of any school trips or other appointments which affects their lessons in order that the tutor can make this lesson up at a later date before the end of term. Without the 2 weeks notice the lesson will be a missed lesson and not refunded.

I do hope if you are a first time customer that you will consider allowing your children to try and learn an instrument.

It can be such an exciting and rewarding experience though children do need to understand that in

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in order to make progress they should practise during the week. If you need any advice, please don't
hesitate to ask me: send an email to the office and I will get back to you.

Yours musically

School Office