

18 September 2025

Dear Parents

This term your child will begin two terms of weekly whole class lessons on clarinet. This is our fourth year of running woodwind lessons with Enfield Music Service - and the children thoroughly enjoy the experience. Particularly the opportunity to learn an instrument, perform in front of an audience and have the chance to take the clarinet home to practise with.

The instruments are loaned free of charge from a funded music grant from Enfield Music Service (EMS) and they have been delivered to school, ready for the children to use. However they will only bring them home once the tutor is sure they know how to put them together and dismantle them again.

We ask that you respond to [this form](#) to say you are happy to help your child care for this clarinet and that you understand if it is damaged, the cost of repair falls on you. If the clarinet is lost, or beyond repair you will also be asked to pay the cost of its replacement which is £471. Each instrument comes with a hard case, and if cared for correctly, there should be no need for any costs at all. Last year all instruments were well cared for and returned undamaged.

Each clarinet also has a number on its case. When we receive confirmation from you we will make a note of this number. We will also give children a name sticker to place on the case. However we advise the children to attach something like a travel tag with the name clearly written on it. A colourful band/friendship bracelet/piece of wool could also be tied around the case so they can identify their own quickly. The cases are small enough to be kept in their lockers on Tuesdays.

Children will make the most progress on their clarinet with weekly practise so we do hope you will be happy for them to bring them home and to their lessons each Tuesday. Children who leave their clarinets at home will only be able to play a percussion instrument in the lesson as there are no spare instruments. It is therefore essential that they bring their clarinet EVERY TUESDAY.

At home, please keep the instrument away from younger children and pets. Children will keep their clarinets until the end of spring term, when there will be a concert for parents.

Once children have music to practise we will give them a password for the music website Charanga. We will also put music on Google Classroom when appropriate.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email the school office: office@grangeparkprimary.org

Kind regards

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