



27th November 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

We are pleased to let you know that we have spaces available for music lessons at Castle Mead to start in January 2021, for children in Year 2 and upwards.

At the moment we offer lessons in the following:

- Guitar
- Piano
- Keyboard
- Clarinet
- Singing
- Ukulele (Group lessons Y5 and Y6 only)
- Flute

Instrumental Tuition Fees:

- Individual lessons are £7.50 for 15 minutes
- Paired lessons are £7.50 for 30 minutes
- Group lessons are £3.75 for 30 minutes (minimum of 4 pupils required -Year 5 and 6 Group Ukulele only)

Please read the following information to book lessons commencing in **JANUARY 2021**.

- All bookings for lessons starting in **JANUARY 2021** will need to be returned or emailed in by **FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2020**. Any late requests or if spaces are taken up quickly, your child will be put on a waiting list.
- If your child wants to start a new instrument or continue with lessons, then this form needs to be filled in and returned or emailed in to **admin@castlemead.wilts.sch.uk**
- Please ensure you choose which length of lesson you would like your child to receive.

Please note that 2 invoices will be sent for the rest of this academic year.

- December 2020 Lessons for Term 3 and Term 4
- March 2021 Lessons for Term 5 and Term 6

If payment is not received by the due date as stated on the invoice, lessons will not commence the following term. If children miss a lesson due to illness, then the lesson will not be refunded or re-arranged.

Thank you for your support, we are so pleased to be able to offer such a wide range of instrumental tuition. Please see the enclosed information about our current teachers.

Yours sincerely

Fran Andrews
Music Specialist

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR MUSIC LESSONS

Child's Name _____ Current Class _____

Would like to have lessons in _____ from January 2021

Please tick the box

I would prefer an individual 15 minute lesson at £7.50

I would prefer a paired 30 minute lesson at £7.50

I would like to have a group lesson on the Ukulele (Year 5 and 6 only)
for 30 minutes at £3.75

Would like to have singing lessons from September 2020

Please tick the box

I would prefer an individual 15 minute lesson at £7.50

I would prefer a paired 30 minute lesson at £7.50

I would prefer a group singing lesson for 30 minutes at £3.75

**A Term's notice must be given in writing to the office if your child wishes to
cancel their lessons and payment made for the notice period.**

Please sign the agreement below to this effect.

I, _____ have read & understood the conditions of my child receiving instrumental lessons at Castle Mead.

I understand that 2 instalments are due in: December 2020 and March 2021

Credits are not given to student absence of any type e.g. sickness, holiday, school trips etc. (Lessons will be re-arranged for sports day or residential visits).

Signed _____

Parent/Guardian of _____ Class _____



MRS FRAN ANDREWS – UKULELE, FLUTE AND CLARINET

Ukulele is taught in Year 4 as part of the First Access Course by Fran Andrews. All children in Year 4 receive a whole year's tuition on the Ukulele for free. They learn chords and tab which allows them to be able to play many different songs on the Ukulele. Each class also showcases their work every term through Ukulele assemblies. Due to the success of this, many pupils have signed up for small group lessons in Year 5 and 6 to continue improving their skills. The school has a class set of Ukuleles. As well as teaching music to pupils in year 1-6 at Castle Mead, Fran is also able to offer flute and clarinet lessons.



MRS JANE LEE – PIANO AND KEYBOARD

Jane Lee is a qualified classroom and piano teacher with an Honours degree in Music and a PGCE with music specialism. She has 30 years teaching experience, working as a primary school classroom teacher and music co-ordinator until 2001, then joining Wiltshire Music Service as a curriculum support and instrumental teacher. Jane is an experienced piano and keyboard teacher, having passed Grade 8 piano with Distinction.



MR IAIN KIRMAN – GUITAR

Iain is a professional guitarist delivering fun, engaging music lessons within primary and secondary schools across Bristol and Wiltshire. His teaching approach is friendly, relaxed and welcoming. Iain is an experienced practitioner in several styles ranging from Blues to Classical, and specialises in modern Pop and Rock. He also has vast experience in preparing students for graded exams. His passion for the guitar is coupled with a sincere desire to guide his students in realising their musical potential.



MS KIRSTEN MULCAHY - SINGING

Kirsten completed a music degree at Bath Spa University (2013 - 2016) where she continued her passion for educational music, running an operatic outreach project, *OperAttic*, with a local primary school in her final year. After graduating with a BA Music degree (First Class Honours) in 2016, Kirsten was awarded the Graduate Performance Award. Kirsten has been teaching both children and adults regularly since graduating alongside working for local arts organisations such as Wiltshire Music Centre. She has successfully put pupils through ABRSM practical and theory exams and teaches a wide range of genres from Classical to Jazz.