



# ST BIRINUS SCHOOL

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September 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I am writing to inform you of the instrumental tuition programme that is available to St Birinus School students. Overleaf you will find the details of the visiting instrumental teachers that work privately and through Oxfordshire Music Service (OMS). The individual teacher and OMS set the prices of lessons.

Should you wish your child to have instrumental lessons at SBS, there are two ways we provide lessons: if the instrument you would like is provided by OMS, please visit their website and sign up online ([www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest)) and fill in the form attached. If the instrument is provided privately, please complete the attached form and hand it back to Mr Dingley in the Music Department, or email it to [sdingley@st-birinus.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:sdingley@st-birinus.oxon.sch.uk), who will pass it to the appropriate teacher.

**Please note: when you sign up for lessons you are doing so with either Oxfordshire Music Service or directly with a teacher and so your contract is with these organisations/people and not with the school. If at any time you wish to cease tuition, then written notice to the teacher or music service is required in accordance with the conditions stated in the contract which you will agree.**

All pupils receive lessons on a rota basis and your child's teacher will contact you to introduce himself/herself and outline their own individual terms and conditions. Timetables are displayed on the notice board in the department. All visiting instrumental teachers (VITs) have completed the appropriate enhanced disclosure checks.

If your child requires instrumental lessons but they do not have an instrument, then please indicate this on the application form and the teacher will do their best to assist you. Instruments are available to hire from OMS at very reasonable rates. **If you are in receipt of Free School Meals or the Pupil Premium, the school may be able to help in funding some tuition. Please contact me for further information.**

Please also find attached some information regarding the extracurricular activities that the department offers. All musicians are strongly encouraged to take part and all groups are open to all abilities.

Yours Sincerely

Mr S. Dingley  
Director of Music



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## Oxfordshire Music Service Lessons

Instruments provided:

- Violin, Viola: Mark Levy
- Cello, Double Bass: Liz Parkin
- Oboe
- Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone: Liz Livsey
- Bassoon: Lucy Robertson
- Guitar: Julia Hogan-Roberts
- Keyboard: Sally Mott

Type	Length	Price
Individual	20	£18.90
Individual	30	£28.35
Group of 2	20	£9.75
Group of 2	30	£14.25
Group of 3-4	30	£9.75

## Private Teachers

### **Mark Bosley – Guitar/Ukulele**

Individual 20 minutes - £10 per lesson

### **Karen Wymbs – Clarinet, Flute and Saxophone**

20 minute lessons (Pair/Individual) - £7/£11.50  
30 minute lessons (Pair/Individual) - £10.50/£17  
30 minutes (Group of 3) - £7.50  
30 minutes (Group of 4) - £6

### **Philip Coull – Piano**

30 minute lessons - £16 per lesson

### **Mark Stanley – Voice**

20 minute lessons (Pair/individual) - £7/£12  
30 minute lessons (Pair/individual) - £9/£16  
Please note – Piano lessons are individual 30 minute lessons only.

### **Belinda Webb – Drum Kit**

30 minute lessons (Pair/individual) – £12.50/£20.

### **Brass in Class – Brass including Trumpet, Cornet, French Horn, Tenor Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Baritone and Tuba**

30 minute lessons (Individual) - £17.80

### **Jenny Hill – Harp**

30 minute lessons - £21



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# Instrumental/Vocal Tuition Registration Form

(This form can also be completed electronically on our website under the 'School Life' tab)

Student Name: .....

Parent/Guardian Name: .....

Contact Address: .....

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Contact Phone No: .....

Contact Email: .....

**Please tick the appropriate box**

We would like to apply for lessons from **Oxfordshire Music Service** and have **made the application via their website** at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest).

We would like lessons provided by **Private Tutors**.

Instrument(s) and teacher(s) required:

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Group / Individual (please delete)

Group / Individual (please delete)

20 min / 30 mins

20 mins / 30 mins

Approx. current standard:

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Do you need information on hiring/purchasing an instrument? YES / NO

Are you in receipt of Free School Meals or the Pupil Premium and would like to discuss possible financial assistance? YES/NO

Would you be happy for the school to share relevant information with the teacher regarding any learning needs such as SEND? YES/NO

Please be aware that when you return this form, your details will be shared with the appropriate teacher to facilitate starting lessons.

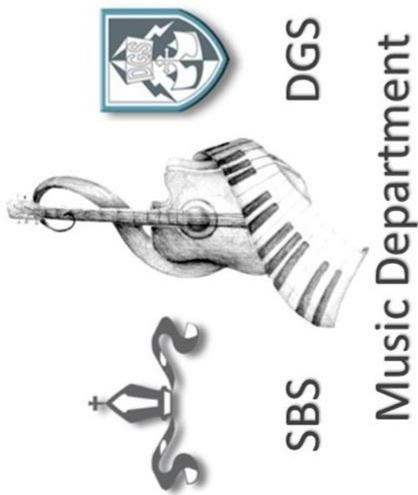
Parent/guardian signature: .....

Please return to: Mr Dingley (Director of Music) – Music Department

Headteacher: William Manning BA (Hons)

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# Music Clubs

(SBS 20/21)

Music Department

SBS	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch		Vocal Group (Open to all)	KS4/5 Helpdesk	Ukulele Group (Open to all)	Orchestra (open to all)
After School		Brass Band	KS4/5 Helpdesk		Jazz Band (RYJO at DGS)