

Dear Parent/Student

Thank you for expressing an interest in instrument lessons with MG Music Tuition. There is just a little bit of administration to do before we get to the exciting part. Hopefully this is quick and painless and then the fun stuff can begin!

This document outlines the instrument lesson types available, lesson schedule, payment, absence and cancellation policies for instrument lessons with Mr Matthew Green at MG Music Tuition.

It also includes the information required to register the student for lessons and to set up invoicing.

My child would like to learn the guitar/piano etc. Why should they start with the ukulele?

With extensive experience in teaching a variety of different instruments to primary and secondary school pupils, it is recommended that young learners, especially KS1, start their musical journey learning the ukulele, even if pupils want to eventually play the guitar, piano or any other instrument.

The ukulele helps nuture motor skills for younger learners, it is easier to handle and to play simple tunes relatively quickly. The comparitive ease of use and the fun the instrument brings often translates into better engagement and quicker progression. Skills aquired can then be transferable to other instruments.

One to One Lessons

Available in varied durations depending on age, individual lessons are tailored to suit each pupil to enable greater engagement and enjoyment in learning.

Whether pupils are interested in achieving grades or simply want to play music they know, pupils will gain skills in reading music, understanding music theory, training musical ears, and even singing; not just how to play their instrument of choice.

Paired and Group Lessons

Playing music with others is another fun way of learning an instrument and how music works. It can also act as a great way of developing social skills.

In the interest of pupil's enjoyment in playing music with fellow pupils of a similar age, it is the responsibility of parents to discuss and agree on who is paired or grouped with their child before registering for lessons. Grouped lessons are available for upto 5 pupils per group.

Please note that paired or grouped lessons are not available to EYFS pupils.

Lesson Schedule

Lessons will take place within the dedicated music area at Newtown Linford Primary School. Instrument lessons with Mr Matthew Green are independent from the school and have no affiliation with the staff at Newtown Linford Primary School.

The teacher will collect the student from their classroom. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure they have their instrument on their instrument lesson day along with the relevant instrument books required.

Lessons will take place on a weekly basis during term time. Where lessons fall on a bank holiday, lessons will not take place and will not be charged.

During Leicestershire school holidays additional lessons can be arranged in advance if requested. Lessons during school holidays will need to be delivered at the student's home, or online.

Instruments

Whilst many instruments are available to purchase (and look alike) there are a number of things to look out for as several are designed to function as a toy rather than for accurate learning.

Mr Matthew Green has personally recommended instruments for purchasing up front or for loaning.

Should you wish to purchase or loan an instrument through Mr Matthew Green please fill in the appropriate section beneath the Student Registration Form at the end of this document.

Instrument packs purchased or loaned through Mr Matthew Green all come with endorsed accessories: an instrument case, easy to use clip-on tuner, quality extra strings and a variety of plectrums all suitable for younger learners.

Instrument Pack Prices

- KS1 Ukulele pack £60.00 to purchase or £14.00 per month to loan
- KS2 Ukulele pack £110.00 to purchase or £23.00 per month to loan

KS2 Guitar pack – £150.00 to purchase or £30.00 per month to loan

Instruments can be loaned for a minimum of 1 term/2 months of invoices. The instrument and accessories are yours after 6 months should pupils continue with lessons.

The requested instruments are handed to pupils upon their starter lesson.

Method Books and Exam Books

It is important all pupils come to lessons with their own books so dates, markings and notes to parents can be made to assist in practice at home.

All books used for lessons and for exam preparation are bought by Mr Matthew Green and invoiced with the lesson fees.

Instrument	Lesson Type	Duration	Year Groups	Pupil Price per Lesson
Ukulele	Group	25 mins	EYFS to Year 6	£8.00
Ukulele	Paired	20 mins	EYFS to Year 6	£12.00
Ukulele	One to One	20 mins	Years 1 to 6	£18.00
Guitar	Paired	20 mins	Years 3 to 6	£12.00
Guitar	Paired	30 mins	Years 5 to 6	£16.00
Guitar	One to one	20 mins	Years 3 to 6	£18.00
Guitar	One to one	30 mins	Years 5 to 6	£25.00

Available Lesson Types

Payment Policy

Invoices are sent to the email address (given in this Student Registration Form) at the end of each month for lessons delivered.

Payment should be made within 31 days of the invoice date and be paid directly to Mr Matthew Green at MG Music Tuition via bank transfer. Please use the unique invoice reference when payments are made.

If payment is late, MG Music Tuition reserves the right to not conduct further lessons as previously scheduled until payment is received.

A deposit of 4 weeks of lessons is required after registration to secure a place on a first come, first served basis. If all places have been filled the pupil can be put on to a waiting list, and this will be advised upon point of registration.

Absence Policy

In the event the teacher, Mr Matthew Green, is unable to attend on the day of the lesson, the lesson will be rescheduled. If it cannot be rescheduled at a suitable time within 7 days, the lesson fee will be deducted from the subsequent invoice.

In the event a student is absent **with** good reason (holiday, medical appointment, sports match etc) and a parent/student has given 48 hours notice of the scheduled lesson the teacher will aim to reschedule the lesson

within 7 days, either in person or online. If this cannot be rescheduled at a suitable time the lesson fee will be deducted from the subsequent invoice.

In the event a student is absent **without** good reason or with less than 48 hours notice given by the parent/student, MG Music Tuition reserves the right to request the lesson be paid in full.

Cancellation Policy

If a student does not wish to continue with their instrument lessons the teacher needs to receive one month's written notice via email to <u>matt--green@hotmail.com</u>.

If you wish to proceed (I hope so) please complete the details on the following page. You are nearly there!

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Student Registration Form

Student Full Name	
Student Prefered Name	
Student School	
Student School Year	
Date of Birth	
Chosen Instrument	
Lesson Duration (20min or 30min)	
Lesson Type (One to one, Paired, Group)	
If Paired or Group, please confirm first names of fellow pupils and their year group	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Parent/Guardian Email Address	
Parent/Guardian Home Address	
Parent Contact Telephone Number	
Student Special Requirements/Further Information	

Should you have any queries please contact Matt via email at matt--green@hotmail.com

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Loaning or Purchasing Instrument

Student Full Name	
Student School	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Parent/Guardian Email Address	
Purchase or Loan	
Instrument Required	
Ukulele Colour* (Natural, Black, Red, Purple, Dark Blue, Light Blue)	

*Subject to availability – please therefore advise on first and second choice.

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